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## RESOLUTION DECLARING WAR, DRAFTED

Chairman Flood Introduces This Action Today--State of War Between U. S. and Austria-Hungary Now Exists

(By Associated Press)  
Washington, Dec. 5.—A joint resolution has been drafted in accordance with the message of President Wilson and the State Department declaring that a state of war exists and to have existed from noon today between the United States and Austria-Hungary and the direct employment of the naval and military forces are to carry on a war against that country. This resolution was introduced today by Chairman Flood of the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

## VIOLENT BATTLES ARE RESUMED IN NORTHERN ITALY

An Official Report of Today Says the Austro-Germans Are Massing Men and Guns in Large Numbers--Fighting Already Begun--Resumption of Violent Action is Foreshadowed

### NO DECISION IN SMALL CASE

Supreme Court Hands Down Number of Important Opinions.

Concord, Dec. 5.—The supreme court at the opening of the December session yesterday, gave no decision on the petition of Frederick L. Small of Osprey for a new trial. Small was convicted of wife murder by the superior court last January and was sentenced to be hanged on January 16, 1918. Exceptions taken by Small's counsel at the trial were argued at the November term of the supreme court.

With a declaration of war against Austria, the people are now beginning to note the seriousness of the U. S. position.

(By Associated Press)  
Italian Army Headquarters in Northern Italy, Dec. 5.—A great force of men and guns are being massed by the Austro-Germans in the Asiago sector according to an official report that reached here today and the resumption of the offensive battles on larger scales is expected. The reports indicate that the Austro-Germans have massed an army of ten divisions of troops.

An expected heavy artillery bombardment from the enemy took place last night and early today in the northern sector where the huge army is being massed. The artillery firing of last night and early today is believed to be a foreshadow of the long expected resumption of a terrific battle and heavy enemy offensive from the north. During the attack last night and the ones this morning the enemy used heavy and middle calibre guns.

### OUTLINED LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

Leader Kitchin and Speaker Clark Express Their Views on the Duty of Congress.

(By Associated Press)  
Washington, Dec. 5.—In outlining legislation program, Democratic Leader Kitchin said that legislation should be confined as far as possible to appropriations and war measures. He stated that woman suffrage would probably be taken up and voted on before the Christmas holidays. Conservation measures, he concluded, might also be acted upon.

Speaker Clark urged the abandonment of the Christmas recess, but Leader Kitchin opposed this action. Speaker Clark said: "If we keep going at the rate that we are now we would get through this session before December."

### ARMISTICE HAS REACHED ROUMANIA

(By Associated Press)  
Berlin, via London, Dec. 5.—The negotiations between Russia and Germany for an armistice have extended to the Rumanian troops.

### HEAR PROCTOR IN VARNEY TRIAL

(By Associated Press)  
Dedham, Mass., Dec. 5.—Mrs. Pauline A. Keyes did not kill herself is the opinion of Dr. Harry M. Cutts, medical examiner of Brookline, who when he first viewed the body of Mrs. Keyes stated that the case was a suicide. During his testimony today at the trial of Miss Harriet Varney, the friend and frequent companion of the

murdered woman's husband, George H. Keyes, admitted that he was mistaken upon his first examination of the body.

His early conclusion was based on the fact that the two bullet wounds on the right side of the head could have been self-inflicted.

Later the district attorney called Dr. Cutts' attention to the fact that either of the two bullets entered the body in such a way they would have been instantaneous death, and asked how Mrs. Keyes could have fired the second shot under the conditions, providing that she fired the first.

### LOSE 231 SHIPS SINCE AUG. 1914

(By Associated Press)  
Liverpool, Dec. 5.—The Liverpool Steamship Owners Association reports that 231 of its ships with a total tonnage of 1,465,016 are numbered among the war losses since April, 1914. The marine losses numbered 33 vessels with a total of 174,359 tons. New vessels added to the fleet of the members of the association were 131 with a tonnage of 916,532.

### GERMANS TAKE ITALIAN TOWN

(By Associated Press)  
Berlin, via London, Dec. 5.—Austro-German forces yesterday captured some of the hill positions in the Sette Comuni region on the mountain front in Northern Italy, according to an official statement issued by the German war office today.

### WILL CHANGE DISCOUNT RATES

(By Associated Press)  
Washington, Dec. 5.—To discourage inflation and to promote sound business conditions the federal reserve board recommended a general increase in discount rates of about one-half per cent for most of the federal reserve banks in the country.

Portsmouth will be well represented in France.

## MAN POWER A QUESTION OF THE WAR

It Was Announced Today That This Was One of the Most Important Matters Taken Up at the Inter-Allied Conference--U. S. to Act in Question

(By Associated Press)  
London, Dec. 5.—Consideration of the question of man power for the prospects of winning the war was one of the most important matters taken up at the Inter-Allied Conference, recently held in Paris. This became known today when a summary of the results of the conference was made public. It was decided by the conference that the United States should appoint delegates to participate in deliberation or to appoint a permanent committee which will handle the question.

### HERE THEY ARE

The Tiger A. C. basketball team is out for a brush with strong teams in this vicinity. Rochester team preferred. The lineup is Connors and Weaver, forwards; Fearher, center; Pillgrim and Neville, backs.

A letter from Jere Waldron received this morning from France, says he is well.

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## CROWLEY GETS THIRD TERM AT NASHUA, N. H.

Nashua, N. H., Dec. 5.—James B. Crowley was elected for a third term as mayor yesterday by 2275 votes, against 1655 for Henri A. Burque. The election was non-partisan; both candidates being Democrats.

Dr. Augustus W. Shea and George H. Alley were re-elected Aldermen-at-large and Fred E. Taggart was also chosen to that office. Frank R. Cole, Charles R. Blake, H. E. Richards, George S. Spaulding, John H. Brogan, Matthew Sullivan, Wilbur Dano, William D. Reed and William Lagasse were elected ward aldermen. Albert B. McKean and Frank T. Lottis were re-elected to the board of public works, Henry H. Davis, re-elected assessor and Albert J. McKean, Frank B. Clancy, James L. Bickford and Walter C. French, re-elected to the board of education.

## STAFF TO RULE ALLIED NAVIES

Paris, Dec. 5.—The foreign office officially announced yesterday, that at the recent inter-allied conference, in which the United States took part, agreements were concluded "on the basis of complete understanding and close solidarity among the allies in which they have a common interest in the war."

It was also announced that the creation of a supreme inter-allied naval committee had been decided on. The inter-allied general staff, it was said, was working on a definite military program which would place unity of military action in the way of certain realization.

The announcement regarding the results of the conference was made in the following official statement:

"The minister of foreign affairs reported to the cabinet council today, the results of the conference of the Allies. The reading of communications from the presidents of each section of the allied conference, at which were present for the first time representatives of all the countries taking part with us in this war, has given felicitous results from every point of view. They give assurance of practical unity of action, economical, financial and military."

"The agreements have been concluded on the basis of a complete understanding and close solidarity among the allies for the solution of the questions in which they have a common interest in the war. The financial needs of each of them, the requirements of their armament, their transport, their food, and have been the subjects of profound study which guarantee perfect satisfaction."

"The creation of a supreme inter-allied naval committee has been determined on. Military unity of action has been placed in the course of certain realization by the inter-allied general staff, which is at work on an established program for all military questions."

"From a diplomatic point of view entire accord resulted from the discussions among the representatives of the powers on all the business, which has been arranged together to assure the common victory of the countries."

## SEES BETTER TIMES FOR FARMERS AFTER WAR

Speaker Channing Cox Says  
People Are Now Learning  
to Eat Vegetables.

Boston, Dec. 5.—Speaker Channing Cox in an address before the New England Ayshire club at the Revere house yesterday predicted that farmers will profit after the war by the fact that people are now learning to eat more vegetables.

Charges that storage houses are full of butter and that the government is boycotting its use, were made by Ivory B. Kimball of Rehoboth, a member of the club; when he objected to a remark by J. C. Watson, director of the National Ayshire association extension service; that dairy products are scarce.

Kimball asserted that the Southern cotton seed oil men have been interested in the campaign to "shelve" butter for the present, so that anti-butterers from their product might be

### A LETTER

Dear Madam: Every well dressed woman knows that the success of her Fall Suit depends on the correctness of styles. Perfect fit, becoming color shades and the wearing qualities of fabric are all of these to well established to be further mentioned. Nevertheless, I invite your kind inspection of my latest models, fashions and fabrics in order that you may have an opportunity to convince yourself of the correctness of my statement. I am sure that a trial order would result in mutual satisfaction. Remodeling of all kinds of furs. The Philadelphia Ladies' Tailor, 111 N. 3rd St., Philadelphia, Pa. Congress St. Opposite Library, Tel. 1444.

sold. The question was not taken up further.

The auction of Ayshire cattle in Springfield in June, it was reported, was the most successful ever held in the country.

Mr. Watson, in his address told of the high infant mortality rate abroad due to the lack of milk. He thought it reflected on the American farmers that 3000 packages of Australian butter were landed at San Francisco a few weeks ago and that tests by experts showed this butter to be superior to the home-made article.

At the business session before dinner these officers were elected: President, Arthur H. Sagendorph, Spencer, Mass.; secretary-treasurer, R. M. Handy, Barre, Mass.; auditor, George H. Yeaton, Dover, N. H.

## KITTERY

Kittery, Dec. 5.—Mrs. Cora Blaney, who has been restricted to her home at North Kittery the past week by illness, is improving.

Harry Remick of Remick's Corner passed the recent holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Remick of Lynn.

The Ladies' Union of the First Methodist church will have a social on Thursday evening of this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Hayes of North Kittery. The regular meeting of the Union was held Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Eldridge Remick and plans were discussed for the Christmas sale to be held on Wednesday evening, Dec. 12.

The Ladies' Union of the People's Society held an all-day session on Tuesday with Mrs. Samuel Caswell, and plans were made for the Christmas sale to be held on Tuesday next at the Community House. The sale begins in the afternoon, a supper will be served, and a fine entertainment has been prepared for the evening, including the Girls' Orchestra, and Miss Helen Smith, reader, from Elliot.

Lieut. Albert Anderson, U. S. A., and Mrs. Anderson of Portland have been the recent guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson of Wentworth street.

Mrs. Austin Groggins of Pierson street, who recently underwent an operation at the Portsmouth hospital, has returned home and is able to go out.

Lee Blaney of Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass., and Mrs. Walter Lydson and family of Portsmouth have been recent guests of Mrs. Cora Blaney of North Kittery.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Emery of Rogers road have returned from a visit to relatives in Worcester, Mass.

Mrs. Duncan S. McIntire of Dover was a recent visitor in town.

No books will be given out at the Rice Public Library after Dec. 15, until stock taking is completed. The library will be open on the usual days for the return of books, and for patrons of the reading room.

The membership committee of the Red Cross met at the home of Mrs. Arthur Chesley on Tuesday evening to start arrangements for the drive for new members to be made during the week of Dec. 17.

Samuel Williams has moved his family from Wells to the Kimball house on Manson avenue.

All sons of veterans who are interested in the formation of a Camp are requested to meet with E. G. Parker Post, G. A. R., on Thursday evening at Odd Fellows' hall.

Mrs. Martha Kimball of Manson avenue has gone to Quincy, Mass., to pass the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Ralph Cobb.

All the knitting of the Red Cross will be packed for shipment to Boston on Saturday, and it is desired that all who have any finished send the same to Mrs. G. H. D. L'Amoureux before Saturday.

The Ladies' Aid of the Government Street church will have their annual Christmas sale on Wednesday, Dec. 12.

Mrs. Hattie Wentworth, who is passing several months in Winchester, Mass., is spending several days at her home on Dame street.

Mrs. John Hall of the Isles of Shoals is visiting relatives in town.

## KITTERY POINT

Kittery Point, Dec. 5.—The ladies of the Congregational church met on Tuesday afternoon at the Community house to decorate and get ready for the Christmas sale and entertainment which will be held this evening.

Mrs. Herbert Baker spent Tuesday with Mrs. Arthur Baker of Kittery.

Miss Carmine Colby has taken employment at the home of Mrs. Joseph Boyer.

The K. P. G. Embroidery club will meet with Mrs. George Kimball on Friday afternoon.

David Smith who has been in Lavis, Canada, for the past six years, has arrived in town to pass a few weeks with his family.

The W. C. T. U. will meet on Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Josephine McBee.

Andrew Large of Newswalla was a visitor in town last evening calling on friends.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the First Christian church will meet this evening with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Emery.

Renee Anderson who has been restricted to his home for the past two weeks by the grippe and blood poisoning is resting comfortably.

## COURT JUSTICES ARE ASSIGNED

Chief Justice Kivel and Judge  
Sawyer Will Preside in  
This City.

The assignment of superior court justices for 1918 in this state has been arranged as follows:

The January term with open in Manchester on New Year's day, with Chief Justice Kivel and Judge Sawyer, presiding. Judge Marble will preside at Lebanon.

January 8, Judge Allen will preside at Exeter, Judge Branch will be at Dover Feb. 5, and Judge Allen will be at Laconia on March 19. April 2, Judge Branch will be at Concord and Judge Sawyer will be at Lancaster. April 9, Judge Sawyer will be at Keene.

At the opening of the May term on May 7, Chief Justice Kivel will preside at Manchester, and Judge Branch will sit at Newport and Judge Sawyer at Portsmouth. Judge Allen will be at Exeter on May 14 and Judge Marble will be at Ossipee May 21.

Judge Marble will preside at the opening of the September term on September 3 at Colebrook, while Chief Justice Kivel will be at Dover, Judge Allen will be at Woodsville on Sept. 10, and Judge Branch will be at Nashua September 17.

October 1, Judge Sawyer will sit at Concord and October 8 Judge Marble will be at Keene. Judge Allen will be at Laconia October 15 and Chief Justice Kivel will preside at Portsmouth the same day. Judge Marble sits in Newport on Nov. 12, and Chief Justice Kivel will be at Berlin Dec. 3, while Judge Allen will be at Ossipee.

## CITY OF BOARDS IS ERECTED FOR METRO SPECIAL PRODUCTION

Shown at the Colonial This  
Evening.

A whole city of boards was erected for the Metro Super-Feature, "Their Compact," starring Francis X. Bushman and Beverly Bayne, which will be seen at the Colonial Theatre tonight. The scene of "Their Compact," is placed in a mining town, "Silverville," a community of "shacks." To build this city for the purpose of the picture, more than eleven thousand feet of lumber were used.

The scenes were actually taken at Arctic City, N. Y., a relic of early mining days. The buildings there are made of logs, and the story of "Their Compact," called for board shacks. So Director Edwin Carewe set a young army of carpenters to work, and in 24 hours the log city was transformed into the likeness of the one wanted.

Every building had been boarded over and the effect desired was obtained. Then it was that Francis X. Bushman as "Jim" Moore began to woo sweet "Mollie" Anderson (Beverly Bayne) and the man to man fights with the miners were staged that will thrill spectators and fill them anew with delight at Bushman's splendid feats of strength.

All the mining scenes are true to life, and in "Their Compact" the public has been given a super-feature in every sense of the word.

### NEW THRUST AT ITALY

Italian Army Headquarters in North Italy, Dec. 4. (By the Associated Press). The enemy activity now is taking the form of demonstrations by the artillery, followed up by the infantry, the preparatory gunfire not being so concentrated a character as that usually preceding determined assaults. These demonstrations are either intended to mask movements at other points or are set in motion in the process of feeling the way for the best opening along the Piave and the northern Italian line.

The enemy movements are being put into effect principally on the upper Piave, where the river passes lead between Monte Monfenera and Montello to the Venetian plain, and on the middle Piave, where the enemy continues very active in constructing bridges to the middle ground of Grave do Papadopoli, an island lying in midstream, which affords him a sort of half-way station. The pressure at the former point is on the northern mountain line while the bridging operation at the island is directed at the eastern river line. The Monte Monfenera-Montello section demands especial attention, for the indications are that this is where the enemy is placing his chief dependence upon making his final drive before the mountain snows become so heavy as to block him from further reinforcement.

In the middle Piave sector, where the bridging attempt is in progress, the enemy already has constructed eleven bridges to the middle ground of Grave do Papadopoli. This is not considered a serious menace as the island is still separated from the west bank of the river by a channel as wide as most of the main stream. Similar enemy attempts at bridging are in progress on the lower Piave, where pontoon structures are set up daily and shelled down by Italian land and naval batteries. Here also the bridges are

not considered seriously to menace the Italian line, even if they could stand up against the Italian fire, as they lead to the inundated triangle and are flanked by the additional barrier of the old bed of the Piave River, separating the enemy from the Italian lines on the west bank.

These demonstrations are being closely observed, as they are likely to show before long what the enemy purposes doing before the winter sets in.

## RAILROAD NOTES

The material for the new truss work for the railroad part of the Portsmouth and Kittery bridge is being assembled on Noble's Island by the B. & Maine bridge crew.

A surprise dinner was tendered Charles M. Burt, general passenger agent of the Boston & Maine railroad Tuesday evening at his home in Newton, Mass. in honor of his birthday. The dinner was given by Mrs. Burt, and the friends whom she invited presented to Mr. Burt a beautiful solid silver shaker in honor of the occasion. Among those present were Major Canfield, builder of the cantonment at Ayer; Captain Stone who has also been active in the construction of Camp Devens; Nelson B. Weeks, Walter A. Barrows of the Boston & Albany railroad, A. B. Smith of the New York, New Haven and Hartford, Fred Grant of the Rutland; Sam Manning of the Santa Fe, John W. Hanley of the Central Vermont, and H. W. Whitten of the Boston & Maine.

A change has been made among the local switching crews of the Boston and Maine, the men being assigned to different hours of work.

Runners of another big cut in the passenger train service is talked of in Boston circles. According to the report many short line runs may be cancelled and some of longer run where it can be done. The movement is said to be owing to scarcity of coal.

The Boston & Maine has issued orders to conductors and passenger trainmen regarding fires and direct that cars be taken to prevent the same. The order directs that no paper be left near steam pipes of passenger cars, more care for train lamps and all oily rags, etc., be kept out of lockers.

### CLERKS FOR DRAFT BOARDS

Washington, Dec. 4.—In the organization of the new draft classification system, Provost Marshal General Crowder announced yesterday, due regard was had for the faithful service of the men who compose the district and local boards of the country, and their tasks were made lighter than under the old system.

"It is not intended to impose clerical duties on the board members," said General Crowder, "and a chief clerk is authorized at \$100 a month for every local board having over 1000 registrants. Nothing will be asked of local boards except an investigation of doubtful cases and their judicial opinion of the classes into which their jurisdiction as each new draft army may be called."

### NEW QUEBEC BRIDGE IS OPEN FOR TRAFFIC.

Quebec, Dec. 4.—The new Quebec bridge was formally opened to traffic today. The first freight train, composed of sixteen freight cars, one van and one private car, of a total weight of 1245 tons, crossed and recrossed the bridge yesterday. A large number of the Quebec bridge and Canadian Government railway officials crossed on the first train.

### ANOTHER PORTSMOUTH CASE

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Just another report of a case in Portsmouth. Another typical case. Kidney ailments followed in Portsmouth with Don's Kidney Pills.

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## NO GROUNDS FOR CRITICISM

(By Associated Press)  
Christiana, Dec. 4.—Newspapers find little or no ground for criticism in the proposed originating in the last session of the American congress that alien neutrals living in the United States should be subject to draft in the American army. On the contrary, the papers here find it quite natural that the United States should call every able-bodied man of the neutral nations into the ranks and say it would not be sensible for the American government to permit naturalized foreigners to remain in that country enjoying its privileges while native Americans are sent to the front to fight in their defense.

Of the thousands of young Norwegians who have immigrated to the U. S. many left Norway because of their unwillingness to serve in the army and have gone to the great northwest where they have built homes. Many of them have not established their American citizenship, although they have lived for years in the United States and intend to make it their home in the future.

There is an agreement between Norway and the United States that Norwegian-Americans, returning to Norway shall be drafted into the Norwegian army until they have been here two years. Most of those returning here on visits are careful to leave before this two years has expired.

Now that the proposal to draft them into the American army has been brought forward some of the newspapers seem to derive satisfaction from the possibility that Norwegians who left home to escape military service might be compelled to serve in the American army.

## OBSEQUIES

B. F. Witham  
The funeral of B. F. Witham was held at two o'clock Tuesday afternoon from his late home in Greenland, Rev. R. W. Lamberton officiating. Interment was in the Greenland cemetery under the direction of O. W. Ham.

### BROUGHT HERE FOR INTERMENT

The body of Mrs. Mary Maxwell who died at Cambridge, was brought here on Tuesday forenoon and interment took place in the Harmony Grove cemetery under the direction of O. W. Ham.

### SOUTH ELIOT.

Lieut. and Mrs. Charles L. Hanson and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Dabridge of Brooklyn, N. Y., were recent guests at the Clover Farm.

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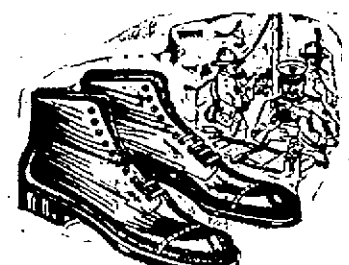
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# GERMANS STOP FRUITLESS SLAUGHTER

Cease Infantry Attacks on Cambrai Salient. Her Loses Heaviest of the War. Italian Front Quiet

The Germans have apparently ceased their reckless expenditure of the lives of the troops in the vain effort to blot out the salient of Cambrai.

After four days of as savage a battle as the authorities state has taken place in any four days of the entire war, the Germans worn out have stopped and only artillery fighting is going on.

Although the Germans claim that in the four days they have captured 6000 prisoners and 100 machine guns, their losses in killed, wounded and prisoners, according to the British officers and newspaper correspondents, has made it a terrible cost for the small amount of ground that they have been able to regain. The loss is said to be in excess of any other battle, as the German commanders sent their men forward in solid formation as in the early days of the war, and they were literally mowed down in masses by the overwhelming

machine gun fire and the concentrated artillery fire that met them at every turn.

While it is expected that the Germans will return to the attack to secure this valuable salient, which menaces Cambrai, with its net work of railroads and highways north and south the British forces are in better position to offer a stronger resistance than they have in the past few days, when they have beat off attack after attack.

As yet the expected infantry attack in large forces on the Italian line along the Venetian plains, has not broken and there is a belief that the Germans will shortly renew their effort to break the line.

In Palestine the Turks and British have not begun the battle for Jerusalem, although the forces of General Allenby are constantly raiding the Turkish trenches and capturing and killing the enemy.

## BOMBARDMENT TERMED "IN THE FLANDERS HELL"

(By Associated Press) London, Dec. 4.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press)—A German description of a British bombardment, smoke screen, attacks with gas, flame-throwers and tanks followed by a charge of Canadians and Scots published by the Berlin Post is entitled "In the Flanders Hell."

"For weeks, day and night," says the writer, "the British kept our position under fire. Ever fiercer burned the glowing stream that poured crackling down upon us. Every day this fire grew hotter. Our artillery replied powerfully. The Army communiqué spoke of a concentration of enemy artillery fire on individual sectors. Even we cannot describe what that means. The history of the world has never seen anything more awful. All calibres were brought into action, and a crater of unprecendented extent opened beside the others, was excavated afresh, swallowed up the old one, spread out beyond the line trees and threw up the hinterland. Nothing remained intact of all that night of hard labor under the enemy's fire had created."

"The destroying fire did its work with depressing thoroughness, seeming to extinguish all life, and now came the turn of the smoke shells. Thick smoke lay before our eyes, so that we could see nothing, and yet ever further forward must we push our death-defying posts. A real fog is mere

patchwork compared with this artificial fog which the British send out in order to veil their dispositions.

"When this appeared inadequate the enemy employed gas, and the evil mists came rolling towards our lines and passed over them; only our gas-masks prevented every living thing from being destroyed. The gas had a singular effect on our weapons; all iron was covered with thick rust. "The English now judged that they had done enough preparatory work, for suddenly drumfire started with the most terrifying effect. Shells of the heaviest calibre thundered across, with mines, machine-gun volleys, and hand-grenades all uniting in a blood-curdling, hellish pandemonium such as even a Dante would never be able to describe."

"German nerves held out with the utmost resolution, constantly awaiting the moment when the hurricane of fire would break loose. And the storm came in the neighboring sector flame-throwers were turned out against this murderous engine no measures avail. There is nothing for it but to get back into the rearward positions."

"And then the enemy was on us. Tank after tank loomed forward. These monsters appeared invincible, and if one of them was hit by a heavy shell the guns and machine-guns inside were kept going unrelentingly, until finally their iron hull reached our lines. And behind the tanks came

Scots and Canadians. We see nothing but endless rows of enemies. "At last our reserves deliver a counter-attack. Murder breaks out afresh. The field of death becomes once more a battleground."

## ARMY AND NAVY GAME AT NEWBURYPORT

The big football contest of the Merrimack Valley will be staged at Newburyport on Saturday afternoon, when the Army and Navy representing teams from the U. S. S. Leonidas stationed at Portsmouth navy yard and Co. A, 302nd Machine Battalion of Camp Devens, clash. The entire receipts will be given to Uncle Sam's boys and will go into their fund to provide comforts not taken care of by the government.

The entire company from Camp Devens is expected, while a large number of rosters from the navy yard will accompany the team. There will be a short parade before the game headed by the state guard company. The music will be furnished by the National Cadet Band of Newburyport. Dinner will be served the visitors at G. A. R. hall at noon. One of the largest crowds that ever witnessed a game in this vicinity is expected judging from the advance sale of tickets.

## ONLY FIVE PRISONERS NOW AT LIBERTY

(By Associated Press) Joliet, Wis., Dec. 4.—Charles Werner, one of the thirteen prisoners who escaped from the state prison here on Sunday night, was captured this morning at Morris, where he had appeared with a citizens suit over his prison garb. He had been shaved and was walking past the jail when he excited the suspicion of Deputy Sheriff Charles Hendrick and he placed him under arrest. He was doing time for murder. Only five of the thirteen remain at liberty.

## JAPAN ASSAILS CHINA'S PRESS

(By Associated Press) Tokio, Dec. 3.—Efforts of the Chinese press to force the conclusion that the United States participate in the Chinese currency loan was intended to lessen Japan's influence in China, was denounced by the Japan Times as "like characteristic German nonsense." The Times points out that it was Japan which used its influence to obtain America's participation in the loan. The Times also asserts that investigations so far made by the imperial government reveal no ground for the rumors that the American government is trying to buy from Russia the Peninsula of Kamchatka or for the reports of American ambitions for development in Siberia or Saghalien. It is suggested that these rumors, persistently circulated are of German origin.

## INTER-ALLIED AGREEMENTS

(By Associated Press) Paris, Dec. 4.—The Foreign Office officially announced today that at the recent inter-allied conference that an agreement was reached "on the basis of a complete understanding and solid foundation among the allies of the solution of the questions in which they have a common interest." Also an agreement was reached to create a supreme inter-allied naval council.

## ASQUITH AND FOLLOWERS FAVOR LANDSOWNE LETTER

London, Dec. 4.—The Manchester Guardian today says it understands that a meeting of the Opposition Liberal leaders, at which former Premier Asquith was present, was entirely favorable to the recent Landsowne letter, although some of the leaders went further than others in their approval. When Mr. Asquith speaks at Birmingham on Monday his reference to the letter, the Guardian predicts, will be "to say the least, sympathetic."

Use all the wood you can and save the coal, is the warning issued by the local fuel committee. It will be well to follow this good advice.

## POLICY OF ISOLATING HOLLAND IS A BAD ONE

(By Associated Press) The Hague, Netherlands, Dec. 4.—"I am quite sure the policy of America and Britain of isolating Holland is a bad one," declared Marie Willem Frederik Treub, Netherlands minister of finance, in discussing recently his country's position with the Correspondent of the Associated Press.

Minister Treub's criticism was based on the contention that the attitude of the two powers made the Netherlands dependent on Germany, with the result that she had to make all kinds of concessions to that country. Moreover, he thought it had a most unfortunate effect on the nation's sympathies. At the outset of the war these were, for the largest part, on the side of the Entente allies, but, excepting perhaps France, pro-Allied feelings had since largely declined as a result of Allied measures. If a referendum on the subject could be taken today, he thought it would show a pretty equal division of sympathies between the Entente and the Central Powers. "Unless the present policy be changed," he added, "I am quite sure pro-Allied feeling will decline daily."

Discussing the question with Great Britain in respect to allowing Germany to take gravel and sand over Netherlands waterways to Belgium, which led the British government to withdraw financial and commercial telegraphic facilities from Holland, Mr. Treub declared: "Proof in such circumstances is always difficult, but if the Netherlands government only gets the impression that such sand and gravel is real for war purposes I am absolutely sure the traffic will be stopped."

As regards the question of the Netherlands ships that have so long been lying in American ports, the minister was hopeful that an arrangement might even yet materialize, suggesting that it would be mutually acceptable, if, say, a third of their number was placed in the America-Netherlands East Indies service, a third placed at the disposal of the Belgian Relief Commission and a third permitted to ply between the United States and Holland.

## FOOD SITUATION IN NORWAY IS GROWING WORSE

(By Associated Press) Christiansia, Dec. 4.—The food situation in Norway has grown from bad to worse, especially since the American embargo was imposed. So long as the commercial relations could be maintained between Norway and the United States, the import of food was about big enough to meet the consumers' demand. Except for the steadily increasing prices of all articles of food everything could be bought as before, the only form of rationing being sugar, which could only be bought from government stores two pounds at a time.

As a matter of fact, the government and especially the food minister had been too optimistic. When cablegrams from Washington stated that the American government was going to place an embargo on different articles the answer from the Norwegian government to the press, asking how this would affect Norway, was that it only meant that Norway should guarantee that nothing would be re-exported to Germany, and then Norway would get all it needed.

At last, during the last two months it has dawned on the government that Uncle Sam means business and that Norway cannot expect special favors as a favorite friend.

After the importation of grain and flour stopped, the government established a grain monopoly taking charge of all grain imported and produced here. The farmers are not allowed to sell their crops to anyone but the government and at a fixed price. The nation will be put on flour or bread rations, every person, adult or child, being allowed 25 pounds of bread monthly, or 16 pounds of unsifted oat.

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land. "Is it possible for the Netherlands so to revise her present export arrangement as to remove America's objections to permitting bread grain and cattle-feed to be exported here?" questioned the correspondent, referring to the surplus products of Holland's own soil, that are now divided between Germany and Britain.

"It is certainly possible to revise present agreements with Germany and Britain," was the reply, "and indeed, it will be one of the first duties of the newly formed Central Export Bureau to undertake such a revision, for at present we are not free to export to neutral countries. The proportion of exports going to Germany cannot be reduced to any considerable extent, for we are dependent on that country for our coal and other necessities."

"Were the Netherlands likely to be yet drawn into the war by the various complications now arising," inquired the correspondent. "I do not think there is immediate danger of that," replied Mr. Treub, "but if the war lasts another year or more then no one can prophesy what will be the result. Serious economic and political difficulties may be expected."

"What do you think of the peace outlook?" questioned the interviewer.

"The outlook, in my opinion, is very bad," came the reply. "How would Holland regard a peace whereby Germany only released Belgium on condition of the guarantee, or which she speaks, as, for instance, administrative separation," inquired the correspondent.

"Without knowing the exact nature of such guarantee," was the answer, "it is impossible to express an opinion. Administrative separation might and might not weaken Belgium. It is conceivable that a system might be established, as in Switzerland, which did not reduce the nation's strength. I regard it as a great interest for Holland that Belgium should be restored to absolute independence, that she should be an entirely neutral, free country, not under the control of one party or the other."

people, however, are instructed to mix potatoes in the bread dough. With this year's crop and the imported grain in storage, Norway has enough flour till February or March. It is hoped here that the United States will grant export licenses for some of the grain bought there by Norwegian importers and the Norwegian government which now is ready for shipment.

Norway is dependent on imported sugar as no sugar is produced here. The consumption of sugar is still unlimited. Candy factories turn out as much candy as before and no sugar card is in use here as in Sweden.

Last summer an ordinance was passed putting motor vehicles and motor craft on rations of gasoline. The result was that automobiles were used more freely than ever. The American embargo again forced the authorities to action and the sale of gasoline for use in private cars was entirely stopped beginning October 1. Taxicabs were only permitted to operate from 6 a. m. to 8 p. m. and the streets in the city are now as quiet and free from noise as they were twenty years ago.

The supply of kerosene is becoming very low with no prospect of replacement. For fishers this is disastrous as all along the coast they are using kerosene-driven motor boats. The country population and the poor people in the cities using kerosene for light and cooking are hard hit, as every family is only allowed two gallons a month.

The scarcity of fat is felt more and more every day. The majority of the population have been using margarine instead of butter, but now that the raw stuff for this product are not allowed to be exported from the United States the margarine production is reduced every week. Grocers have been forced to put their customers on allowance, nobody receiving more than a pound at once. Norway is facing a fat shortage and the nation will have to be rationed.

As for fuel, the people are put on rations, except those who can take care of themselves and afford to pay the prices for coal and coke imported from Great Britain.

Everybody asks, "why does not the government entirely stop exports if thereby more favorable importing conditions can be established with the Allies?" But no official answer is given.

## CAUSE FOR MUCH CONJECTURE

(By Associated Press) Tokio, Dec. 4.—The sudden convening of the high military council on

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October 27 has given rise to much conjecture. The council consists of the aged Marshal Kawamura, Marshal Oki and Marshal Terauchi.

The conference was of unusual length, and it was surprised that it was connected with three moot questions, China's request for an arms and munitions loan, the sending of Japanese troops to the war front and the organization of a new army corps. These guesses were denied by the authorities who simply state that plans have to be made to enable Japan to keep up with the general war situation and that nothing of an urgent nature was considered.

## REAR ADM. ROGERS DEAD

(By Associated Press) Washington, Dec. 4.—Rear Admiral Charles Curtis Rogers, U. S. N., retired, died at a hospital here this evening. He was a native of Virginia and his last active command was as commandant of the Portsmouth Navy Yard. He retired in 1914. He served as executive officer on the Resolute and received medals for bravery at Santiago and at Manila. He was the commandant of the naval station at Guantanamo from 1904 to 1910.

## 80 PASSENGERS LOST AT SEA

(By Associated Press) London, Dec. 4.—The British steamship Apuha has been torpedoed and sunk, and eighty passengers and crew have been lost. 120 of the passengers and crew were saved. It is reported that the German submarine shelled the open lifeboats with women and children.

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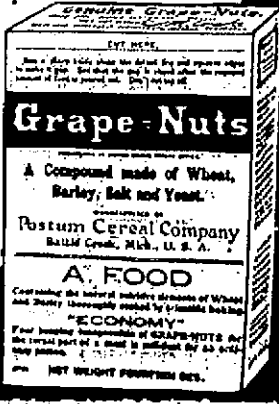
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Portsmouth, N. H., Wednesday, December 5, 1917.

## Taking the War Seriously.

As the war goes on and its seriousness becomes better and more generally understood it is reassuring to find the government tightening the screws in places where such action has been found necessary to prevent slacking of any kind or character. The country has assumed a serious and prodigious undertaking and the time has come to face the facts and to bring the business of war down to a business basis.

A commendable step has been taken to prevent men of draft age from securing commissions in non-combatant branches of the army, and hereafter no man of draft age will receive such a commission unless it can be shown that he is clearly better fitted for the work to be done than any man beyond draft age who can be procured. There is a great deal of work in connection with the supply lines, transportation, construction, etc., that can be done by men beyond the draft age as well as by those subject to conscription, and the government has rightly decided that it will be better to fill those positions with men not eligible to service in the ranks, but who are perfectly capable of performing the duties required. This is business. It may be disappointing to some youngsters who are seeking safe places in the service, but it is a correct proceeding nevertheless and one that will strengthen the country in bearing its proper part of the war burden.

It is further to be noted that the machine organized for the building of a national army is to be strengthened and made more effective. Under a new ruling every police official in the country becomes a part of this machine, and the postal authorities are also to take an active part in helping to carry out the new regulations. The police will take into custody all men who fail to report for physical examination or who violate in any way any of the new rules and regulations, and for such violations the penalties will be severe. Any accepted man who fails to enjoin for mobilization will be regarded as a deserter, and a reward of \$50 will be paid for his arrest and delivery at the camp where he belongs. The postal authorities will see that the questionnaires are properly delivered and returned. Room for mistakes in connection with the draft has been practically eliminated and from this time on there is to be no fooling.

This is as it should be. War is a serious business and must be taken seriously. It brings burdens to all classes of the community and these must be borne as cheerfully as possible. In most cases the burden must be borne as cheerfully as possible. In most cases the burden cannot be avoided, and in no case must avoidance be permitted.

This is no time for slacking. The country is at war. The music must be faced and the line must be toed. The civil and military authorities are awake to this solemn fact and are making their plans accordingly. The more rigorously the regulations are enforced and the more cheerfully they are accepted by the rank and file of all ages and conditions the sooner will be brought to the world a lasting and an honorable peace.

At the convention of the National Association of Tanners in Chicago it was said there is no justification for the high prices of shoes, there being leather enough for all needs. It was the opinion of the tanners that some of the fancy prices for shoes are charged simply because the dealers think they can get them. It is this sort of thing which is largely responsible for the cost of living.

By the resignation of James W. Pringle, Portsmouth loses one of the most capable and esteemed school superintendents it ever had. His going is regretted, and the best wishes of the people of the city go with him to his still more responsible position. The committee appointed to fill his place has an important duty to perform and may be trusted to act with judgment and caution.

Figures from New York show that the cost of Mayor Mitchell's campaign for re-election, which he failed to achieve, cost nearly half a million dollars. But of course Mr. Mitchell did not pay it all. The incident reminds us, if that were necessary, that politics has not yet been freed from the expenditure of money.

A young hunter was dangerously shot in the leg the other day near Saratoga, N. Y., by a companion who was examining his gun in a railroad station. The liability of coming in contact with young hunters examining loaded guns in railroad stations is not calculated to add to the pleasures of travel.

It is a little disappointing to receive from the Fuel Administration, which earlier in the season promised abundant coal at reasonable prices, instructions to scrimp to the utmost in the use of fuel as a means of tiding through what promises to be an uncomfortable winter.

## EDITORIAL COMMENT

### An Undivided Front

(William H. Taft in the Philadelphia Public Ledger)

We should be thankful that there is no division among our people in this war. Germany's contempt for the military power of the United States in this war is in part based on the millions of Americans of German birth or descent who, as she thought, would divide our people and paralyze our military offense. There have been conspiracies among German and Irish extremists of a treasonable character, prompted by Von Bernstorff and his minions; but their failure emphasizes the recognition by the great body of German-Americans of their allegiance to the country whose adopted citizens they are. With the conflict of emotions which dissection during three years of our neutrality aroused in their souls we should be considered in our treatment of them. That they have enlisted, that they have responded under the draft and that they have contributed to the Liberty Loans and to the Red Cross are circumstances which confirm our confidence in their loyalty.

Our people have been optimistic. They have hoped in vain that the war might be a short one. They have been slow to appreciate the seriousness of the struggle upon which we are entering. But the greater the difficulties that we encounter, the more trying the disasters that our allies suffer in the war, the more numerous the temporary defects that we have to reckon with, the stronger becomes the determination of our people to see this war through, the greater their solidarity in the support of the Administration and the clearer the building tenacity with which we are to fight the Hohenzollern to his knees.

### Those Modest Germans

(From the New York Herald)

It is hoped that the few persons in this country who have manifested a tendency to fall for the Lansdowne-Junker peace will not miss the significance of the recently voiced demand of the Pan-Germans that all the territorial gains of Germany, east and west, be held; also of the assertion of one of Saxony's statesmen that Germany will look to the United States for the gigantic indemnity it expects to be able to assess.

### Our Cheerful Cousins

(From the Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph)

These must be dark days in England, despite occasional gleams of sunshine afforded by such successes as that of General Byng on the Western front, for the people are undergoing hardships of a kind that we in America have yet to experience. But the note of cheerfulness that prevails in the London newspapers and the weekly and monthly magazines is most inspiring. There is no more practical motto for this time than "Gird and Bear It," and our English cousins seem to be proceeding on that excellent principle as they enter upon what it is to be hoped will be the last winter of the war. The latest issue of Punch is filled with jokes and pictures referring to the shortage of sugar. One drawing portrays a soldier who, having purchased a limited supply of loaf sugar for his immediate wants, proceeded to number each with a pencil. Taking an inventory of his collection of treasures, he finds "numbers 3, 11 and 16 missing," and is depicted calling his supposedly predatory landlady to account. Another illustration shows a boarding house patron employing the fire tongs to lift a lump of sugar from the bowl while the proprietress's view is hidden behind the folds of a newspaper. There are many allusions in lighter vein to the new order requiring householders to fill out application blanks for sugar. It is necessary to give the number of members of the family and the age and occupation of each. The price of butter, it would appear from some jocular references, is beyond the reach of any but the rich.

John Bull is able to extract some comfort however, from the reflection that he is better off than some of his neighbors. Persons returning from France and Italy are quoted in the British Weekly as expressing surprise at the well stocked butcher shops, the supply of white bread and the abundance of fuel for the homes of the poor. But they say France, in contrast to England, has plenty of sugar at present. The "amile" philosophy, so easy in theory, is difficult in practice. The English seem to be cultivating it to advantage, a fact which should have some influence on the folk down at Washington, where at times there appears to be real need for an official cheerupodist.

"At the Point of Collapse" (From the New York World)

The annual increment to Germany's wealth before the war was placed by the best authorities at \$2,000,000,000, and here is already an annual interest charge approximating \$1,600,000,000, with more credits and loans pending and taxes alleged to correspond. President Haverstein of the Reichsbank was quoted a year ago as saying that when the empire's interest charge equaled its annual wealth increment it "would be at the point of collapse." Is that his opinion now?

"Level-Headedness" Needed (From the Albany Journal)

There ought to be an end of the

## THE HERALD HEARS

That a Deer street woman has some pet cat and the feline is trained some. That the latest thing pussy has taken to is smelling salts.

That if all the railroad rumors are true on curtailment, the famous "axe train" will start on the rounds again. That the promised merchant marine training ship for Portsmouth appears to have been sidetracked somewhere. That a candidate in Ward One for the city council says he has the backing of the Vaughan Street Fishing Club.

That this famous club has not dipped into politics before, but had dipped into several other things.

That the bowling fever has hit the plant of the Rockingham County Light and Power Co.

That one of the teams is being coached by a crack bowler from Salisbury.

That the Salisbury artist says his team will make all the others look like a lot of pack peddlers.

That the increase of pay in the police department will make it easy to get some live applicants for the police.

That already there are a few on the list who would make good officers.

That the waiting list does not carry any female applicant for one of the jobs.

That we cannot get much heat out of promised coal.

That Robert Ballard, recently appointed first lieutenant in the Reserve Corps of the Army, reported in Washington today for active duty in the regulars.

That the report of the wholesale cannelling of trains on the Boston and Maine has started the trainmen guessing.

That if the local fishermen are as busy at Great Bay this winter as they were last month on the docks, they should not mind the high cost of living.

That the city drivers on a strike at Newburyport have succeeded in getting part of what they asked for.

## NAVY NOTES

### Coming Here as Aid

Commander A. C. Almy will shortly report at the Portsmouth navy yard as aide to the commandant, relieving Commander Ridgely who will be detached. Commander Almy resides in Washington and is on the retired list.

### Short Vacation

John Mundy, a machinist in the Industrial Department, is on a short vacation which he is spending in Biddeford.

### Home for Few Days

Chief Boatwain's Mate William Warrin, now attached to one of the navy transports is passing a furlough at his home in Kittery.

### Fifty-Nine in All

A call for 53 more men was made by the Industrial Department at the local yard on Tuesday. The list included 25 general helpers, 6 machinists, 1 boat builder, 2 boiler-makers, 2 chipers and caulkers, 10 machinists, 7 moulders. Today 2 joiners and 4 pottermakers were required.

### Back for Few Weeks

Thomas P. Dunning, government metal expert, arrived at the local yard today where he will remain for two weeks on matters connected with the station smelting plant.

### Nashua Firm Doing the Work

The Davis Watson Manufacturing Company of Nashua has been awarded a contract to erect four steel storehouses at the Charlestown yard at a cost of \$5000. Work on two has already started.

## THE WEATHER

Forecast for Portsmouth and Vicinity—Generally fair and continued cold tonight and Thursday; gentle north-west winds.

Sun Rises..... 6.58  
Sun Sets..... 4.12  
Length of Day..... 9.14  
High Tide..... 3.47 am, 4.01 pm  
Moon Rises..... 11.10 pm  
Light Automobile Lamps at..... 4.42 pm

## PERSONALS

Mrs. Wallace Lear is the guest of Mrs. A. C. Lant of Beverly.

Samuel T. Drew of Quincy passed Sunday with his son and family here.

R. I. Matherly of the ship-building employes is suffering with an injury to his right foot.

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## DIPLOMATS ACTED WITHOUT PERMISSION

(By Associated Press)

Washington, D. C., Dec. 5.—It was declared at the state department today that Lieut. Col. Judson, head of the American military mission in Russia, and Major M. C. Kerth, temporary military attaché at the American embassy acted without instructions from the United States government in presenting communication to the Bolsheviks concerning the attitude of the United States in the effort to effect separate peace and an armistice with Germany.

Major Kerth's communication was in the form of a protest to the commander-in-chief of Russia against an armistice while Colonel Judson's communication was couched in more lenient terms.

The state department has received no dispatches from Russia today.

It has been previously announced that the attitude of the United States towards a Bolshevik armistice was one of tolerance, hoping to preserve progress made towards democracy in Russia rather than to throw the country back into the hands of autocracy by drastic action.

## HEART TO HEART TALK BETWEEN CIVIL WAR VETS

The following letter from General Julian S. Carr, a distinguished Confederate soldier, to Col. Darwin C. Pavey, is of particular interest to G. A. R. men and all others for it shows the old wartime feeling still exists in the hearts of all the Civil war veterans:

December 1, 1917.

Col. Darwin C. Pavey, Auditor's Department, State House, Boston, Mass.

My Dear Col. Pavey:

I have the extreme good pleasure to acknowledge receipt of your very dear letter of November 28th. I am greatly distressed to hear of the illness of your dear good wife, and I trust that before this reaches you she will have been relieved of her suffering, and you of your anxiety concerning her.

I reached home Tuesday, the 27th. I was hardly well enough to risk the trip but I have improved continuously since reaching home, and hope to be myself again entirely in the course of a week.

I enjoyed very much your good letter relating the history of Kinsley Post, No. 113. I never cease to regret that my severe illness prevented my attending the banquet, as I had anticipated, and respond to the toast, "The United States of America." I would have been delighted to have handed to the members of the Kinsley Post a red hot Southern speech on this glorious Union, and I trust it is only a pleasure deferred, and that I may yet have the pleasure of addressing you and your dear comrades in response to the toast, "The U. S. of A." If I do say it myself, I believe I had a pretty good talk for the occasion.

It would give me great pleasure to meet Captain Frank E. Orcutt and shake his kindly hand and express my admiration for the boys in blue, and for their brave and manly conduct from '61 to '65 and the respect they have shown and the courtesies they have extended to the men who wore the gray since the cessation of our late unpleasantness. I would love also to have the delightful pleasure of meeting Comrade Weston, and looking into his honest face and giving him the glad hand of a warm-hearted Southerner. Some of these days if the fates are kind to me, I expect to enjoy these privileges.

I had a very delightful Thanksgiving dinner, with turkey and a whole lot of good things on the side, and nothing would have given me greater pleasure than to have enjoyed it with my friends who wore the blue.

You know I have been in Washington serving upon the staff of Mr. Hoover. It came to my knowledge just before I left Washington that the grand-daughter of General U. S. Grant was clerking in the same department in which I was serving, and that she had a dependent mother, Mrs. Dent. The last note that I was guilty of, and one that I bear in mind with a great deal of pride, was to approach Mr. Osborn, who has in his hands largely the fixing of salaries, and request of him as a personal favor to me, an old Confederate soldier, that the young lady be advanced, and her salary be increased, and I had his promise that it would be done.

I appealed to him as a Confederate soldier and a great admirer of the Federal general who was so generous to the Confederates at Appomattox. I promised him that when my request was granted I would report it to my

# PROTESTING TO THE GOVERNMENT

## Competing With Private Business in Employment of Labor Serious--Washington Business Men Protest--Local People Affected

The government interference with business in Washington and where there are naval stations and navy yards has called forth much criticism. Here is what the Washington Times says:

"It is presumably desirable that Washington merchants and other business men should continue to do business."

"Congress, the government, and government employees are interested in the business life of the city. We suggest to the government a little less energetic competition with business men for the simple reason that business men can't stand it."

"It is easier of course to hire a stenographer from the merchant, pay her double, and tell the merchant to get another than it is to select your own employees for government work. But while it is easy, it is not fair or wise."

"The government can hardly expect to do the business for a hundred millions of people and find all the help it needs in a city the size of Washington."

"There ought to be a first class, well-managed government employment agency with branches in every important city in the United States. When a hundred, a thousand or five thousand workers are needed, the present plan is to send out a dragnet to see if the necessary help cannot be found in the stores of Washington."

"Why not give other cities a chance to supply their part of the government's working force?"

"Already 33 per cent of school teachers in the district have left teaching to accept work with the government. This presents a difficult and important problem."

"If the government can afford to

Confederate friends, and we would give the Rebel yell so loud that it would shake the roof of the building. He deeply appreciated my interest in the young lady, and I look back upon it as the best work I did while in Washington, the one act that brought me the greatest satisfaction.

I shall return to Washington in about ten days.

I would ask to be very kindly and tenderly remembered to your dear good wife and to Captain Orcutt and Commander Weston, and I leave with you my unbounded and abiding love. Sincerely and truly,

Your friend and comrade, Julian S. Carr.

Col. Pavey is connected with the auditor's department in the State House, Boston.

General Carr, a distinguished Confederate soldier, is an ex-Commander-in-chief of the United Confederate Veterans; is a leading "captain of industry," (owning the largest history mill in this country), is president of the First National bank, and is profoundly interested along other commercial and industrial lines.

## MAY SUSPEND SOME R. R. LAWS

(By Associated Press)

Washington, Dec. 5.—Congress was told today in a report of the Interstate Commerce Commission that to effect the unification of railroad resources for the war that anti-trust and anti-pooling laws should be suspended.

The Commission directed the railroads to receive a government loan and stated that the issue of railroad securities should be vested in some special body.

## TO ROUND UP FRENCH SLACKERS

Paris, Dec. 5.—One of the decisions taken yesterday by the cabinet was aimed directly against slackers dodging active service. It declares that no men mobilized for the army shall be admitted to or retained in the offices of ministers or under secretaries.

## WOULD TAKE BROWN SUGAR

Not a few of the people of this city who have been low on sugar would be thankful to Mr. Hoover or somebody else if they would only send along a supply of brown sugar under the desired kind can be obtained.

## THE COTTON INDUSTRY IS PROSPEROUS

### Two U. S. Officials in Russia Take Hand in Armistice Proceedings Without Orders From Gov't.

(By Associated Press)

Manchester, England Dec. 6.—The Lancashire cotton industry again is comparatively prosperous in spite of war time difficulties. The cotton control board says the Manchester Guardian, seems to have steered the industry safely through a crisis unprecedented in its history. Three months ago the cotton mills of Lancashire which depended upon a supply of American cotton, saw the stocks of cotton dwindling until at last the supply was estimated to be sufficient only to keep the mills active for a few weeks. The regulations of the control board materially have improved the situation and it is asserted that if the existing stock could be maintained there would be no need of anxiety for the future of the industry.

But the cotton position does not remain static. Cotton shipments during the past two months have been fully satisfactory but each week shows a decrease in the amount of tonnage and this is bound to be reflected in the amount of cotton reaching Liverpool.

For these reasons the prospects of a serious set back is considered by no means remote. Therefore the trade cannot look forward to freedom from government control at the end of the present month. This was the period fixed by the central board for the expiration of the plan to restrict the output in order to conserve the supply.

## TO DEFER JOINT BUYING OF RAILROAD SUPPLIES

Washington, Dec. 5.—Operation of the Clayton law, which prohibits railroads from making joint purchases of supplies, would be deferred until Jan. 1, 1919, by a resolution introduced yesterday by Senator Overman. Congress at the last session postponed enforcement of the act until Jan. 15. Because of the war and the present railroad situation, it has been deemed advisable to extend it again.



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## CANADIAN POTATOES FORCE DOWN PRICES

(By Associated Press) Boston, Dec. 4.—A cargo of 5325 bushels of potatoes arrived here today from Prince Edward Island. Prices are from \$2.50 to \$2.60 a 100 pounds—there are about 50 pounds to the bushel—which would give the jobbing market a price of about \$1.35 a bushel. Thus far, this season, but a small quantity of Canadian potatoes have been placed on sale by the local market by Boston dealers. It is expected, however, that other cargoes will arrive before the first of the year.

## PROPERTY BOUGHT AND SOLD DURING THE PAST MONTH

Several Transfers Recorded at the Assessing Department for November.

The following local real estate transfers were recorded by the board of assessors during the month of November:

Sarah A. Philbrick to Standard Oil Co., three tenement house, Nobles Island.  
 William C. Philbrick to Nathan A. Whalley, buildings and land, Mark street.  
 James S. Valley to Florrie W. Graffan, buildings and land, Cass street.  
 Amelia D. Valley to Florrie W. Graffan, buildings and land, Cass street.  
 Florrie W. Graffan to Jacob D. Miller, buildings and land, Cass and Albany streets.  
 Winifred S. Garland to Edith M. W. Ewald, 100 feet land, Lafayette road.  
 Mary I. Garland to Edith M. W. Ewald, 25 feet land, Lafayette road.  
 Joseph and Amy P. Bartlett to Gladys C. Warren, house and land, Willard avenue.  
 Gladys C. Warren to Fred W. Coleman, house and land, Willard avenue.  
 Consolidation Coal Co. to Mary I. Garland, land, Lafayette road.  
 Albion S. Garland to George B. Wal-

lace, house and land, Union street.  
 Fred O. Shannon to Angelus Costello, Angelus Houses, Alexander House and James Margollas, house and 41 acres of land on Durbin lane.  
 George B. Delano to Mary Scott Allen, 16 1-2 acres land, Blywn road.  
 Joseph J. Callant to Lilla J. Mason, house, buildings and land, Sagamore avenue.  
 Addie E. Mason et al. to Arthur P. Shaw, house and land, corner of Pearl and Hanover streets.

## Y. P. S. C. E. MEET

The Y. P. S. C. E. of the Middle Street Baptist church held a very interesting and largely attended meeting last evening. The first part of the session was devoted to the regular meeting of the society. The subject of the evening was "Self Control," and was well treated by the members. Following the regular session, a much enjoyed social was held which was followed by refreshments. The officers of the Christian Endeavor society are planning for a number of these social times throughout the winter season and they are being looked forward to with great interest by every member.

There will be a number from this city go to Newburyport on Saturday to witness the foot ball game between the U. S. S. Leonidas and the team from Camp Devens.

## SUIT BROUGHT AGAINST THE TOWN OF KITTERY

\$35,000 Asked for Injuries and Deaths Occurring at Spruce Creek Bridge, July 11, 1917.

Suit was instituted on Tuesday against the town of Kittery by the several parties connected with the automobile accident at the Spruce Creek bridge on the Post road, Kittery, on the afternoon of July 11, 1917, in which accident John and Mary Crowe of East Jaffrey lost their lives and three other passengers of the car were injured.

The aggregate sum for the injuries and deaths, asked by the plaintiffs, is \$35,000. Rev. Joseph P. Creedon of Laconia, owner and driver of the car which crashed through the bridge, sues for \$5,000 for personal injuries to himself and car. Rev. Michael R. Griffin of Exeter and Mary Hixley of Manchester asks the same amount for personal injuries.

Rev. Herbert A. Henson of East Jaffrey, administrator of the estate of John and Mary Crowe, who were drowned, sues for the sum of \$10,000 in each case.

The plaintiffs allege that the bridge was defective and being under repairs was not properly protected by warning signs or otherwise. The papers are returnable in the January term of the supreme judicial court at Saco.

Page, Bartlett and Mitchell and Arthur Sewell represent the plaintiffs. The papers were served on Selectmen James Walker by Deputy Sheriff James Boardman. A similar writ will also be served on the county commissioners.

## WALKER-JENNESS.

A very pretty home wedding took place on Monday evening, Dec. 3, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Walker, Rye Center, when their daughter, Iona Augusta, became the wife of Mr. Irving Jenness, son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Jenness of Rye Beach. The ceremony was performed by Rev. James W. Flagg, pastor of the Congregational church, the double ring service being used. The bride was given away by her father. They were attended by Maurice Jenness of Boston, brother of the groom, as best man, and Miss Louise Rand of Rye as maid of honor. The wedding march was played by Miss Doris Walker, sister of the bride. The groom's gift to the bride was a pearl necklace, and to the best man gold cuff links. The bride's gift to the groom was a gold watch chain and to the maid of honor a pendant. They had many pretty and useful gifts.

After a short wedding trip they will reside at Rye Center. The young couple have a host of friends who wish them a long life of happiness.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank all for the manifestations of sympathy in our recent bereavement, also for the floral tributes.

MRS. JAMES F. GRIFFIN AND FAMILY.

List of flowers:  
 Willow, "Father"—Wife.  
 Willow and Crescent—Portsmouth Brewing Company.  
 Mound—Mrs. Patrick O'Leary.  
 Cross, Div. No. 2, A. O. H.  
 Flat bouquet—Mr. and Miss Entwistle.  
 Bouquet—Mr. Eben Blaisdell.  
 Bouquet of white chrysanthemums—Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Burke.  
 Bouquet of yellow chrysanthemums—Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Miskell and family.  
 Bouquet of pink chrysanthemums—P. J. Duffy.  
 Spray of pinks—Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Foley.  
 Spiritual bouquet—Mr. and Mrs. Jere Crowley.  
 Spiritual bouquet—Miss Susan McKenna.

REPUBLICANS CARRY ROCHESTER.

Rochester, N. H., Dec. 4.—James I. Young, the County Commissioner for Strafford county, was elected mayor

here today and six Republican councilmen so that the next council will be Republicans 17, Democrats 1.

## PEOPLE YOU KNOW

V. A. Hett is in Boston today on business.

Mrs. D. W. Badger was a Boston visitor today.

George W. Downing is in Boston for a few days.

Mrs. Samuel W. Emery passed the day in Boston.

Hen. S. W. Jenkins of York was a visitor here today.

L. E. Chase of Newmarket was a Portsmouth visitor today.

Harold Call of Park street is reported to his home by illness.

Mrs. Mary Ryan of High street is ill at the Portsmouth hospital.

Miss Katherine Keefe of High street is in Boston today on business.

Manager George Q. Patten of The Rockingham passed the day in Boston.

Miss Marie Philbrick of Middle street is reported to her home with a badly sprained ankle.

Mrs. George S. Hewing, Mrs. R. A. Jones and Mrs. M. L. Millard passed the day in Boston.

Danforth, the celebrated organist, is to visit Portsmouth this week to officiate at the Gooding-Milne nuptials.

William Dinsmore and family of York are to pass the winter here occupying the Moore home on Deer street.

Miss Elsie Johnson, a popular nurse at the Portsmouth hospital is ill with scarlet fever and she is being cared for at Sagamore hospital.

## OBITUARY

Mrs. Jennie F. Leary

Mrs. Jennie F. Leary, wife of John Leary, died at an early hour this morning after a short illness. Besides her husband she leaves a mother in Ireland; three sisters, Mrs. Mary Hale of this city; Norah Murphy and Mrs. D. Garton of Ireland; two brothers, John Murphy of the local police department, and Michael Murphy of Ireland. She was a member of the Ladies' Auxiliary, A. O. H., and the Companions of the Forest.

## EIGHTY LIVES LOST AS SUBMARINE SINKS BRITISH STEAMER

London, Dec. 5.—The British steamer Apapa has been torpedoed and sunk, according to yesterday's morning papers. Eighty passengers and the crew of the vessel perished. About 120 passengers were saved. It is reported the submarine fired on women and children in open boats.

The Apapa was a vessel of 7,832 tons gross. She was built in Glasgow in 1914 and was owned by the African Steamship Company.

## DETROIT HAS NO SUCH CASE ON ITS RECORD

Dover, Dec. 5.—The police department received word yesterday morning from Ernest Maxquardt, superintendent of police at Detroit, Mich., that there was no record of an officer being shot in 1913. This message was in reply to the telegram sent by Marshal Wilkinson when a man giving the name of John Fuller surrendered himself at the police station and said he had shot the officer in Detroit. The Detroit authorities requested Marshal Wilkinson to forward photographs of Fuller. Fuller is at the Strafford county farm awaiting the result of further investigations.

## CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to express our sincere thanks to all who so lovingly extended their sympathy, also to those who sent the beautiful flowers and to all who in any way helped to lighten our great sorrow.

Mrs. James F. Griffin and Family.

## NOTICE

The Ladies' Social Circle of the Universalist church will hold a supper Thursday evening, December 6 at 8:30 p. m. Price 25 cents.

## NEW SCHEDULE OF COAL PRICES

Anthracite Jumps 75 Cents and Other Kinds Materially Increased.

A new schedule of coal prices for the state goes into effect with the opening of business Wednesday morning. By the new schedule coal prices are boosted substantially, 75 cents per ton in addition to the present prices of anthracite coal, 10 cents for boules and briquettes, while the price of bituminous is boosted 60 cents per ton. The new schedule is recommended and approved by the state administrator for the city of Manchester, and approved by State Fuel Administrator Charles M. Floyd. Coal will be sold at the yard at a price of 75 cents per ton less than the scheduled prices and coal from the car at \$1 less than the price fixed. All local dealers received notice of the new schedule prices by mail last night.

The following is the schedule of prices (per ton of 2000 pounds, ground floor delivery):

Anthracite, broken ..... \$10.25  
 Eggs ..... 10.75  
 Slove ..... 11.00  
 Nut ..... 11.00  
 Pen ..... 10.25  
 Boules and briquettes ..... 10.00  
 Bituminous ..... 10.90

Three important details are responsible for the boost in prices over the figures of the last schedule, which went into effect October 17. The government has boosted the price of coal 50 cents per ton in three months, making an increase of the same rate to the dealers and then to the ultimate consumer. This government measure went into effect December 1. An increase of 11 cents per ton tax has also been declared since the last schedule went into effect. The other 25 cents on each ton is paid to the dealers to secure premium coal for the consumers of Manchester.

The administration is still able to secure fine or inferior coal at the old price and give it to the people at a reduction of 25 cents per ton on the coming price, but by so doing they can secure but a limited supply and an acute shortage of coal might hereafter result. By securing the premium of independent coal they are assured of getting a continuous supply for the winter and with this end in view secured the independent variety. This is not a plan on the part of the commission to please the dealers but a well-laid plan which in the end will prove a source of much benefit to the consumers.

## CANNOT COLLECT THE MONEY FROM CITY

Last Chapter in the Dover Police Patrol Wagon Is Closed.

It looks as if the last chapter has been closed in the police patrol wagon controversy at Dover. It has been closed by a decision made by the supreme court at Concord on Tuesday. The former democratic police board for that city ordered a patrol wagon and then looked for the city government to foot the bill. The city council refused to make any appropriation for this payment and in the meantime a new police board came in. They had no better success than the previous board in trying to clear up the matter and it was finally put up to the supreme court. The court now decides against the police board on the ground that while the police commission was acting in its official capacity in purchasing the wagon, they pledged their credit and not that of the city. Upon the facts presented the man who made and sold the wagon, Peter McShane, cannot recover from the city. It looks as if the former commission would have to remit the cost of the police vehicle.

## HAMPTON

Hampton, Dec. 4.—Albert Janvin, and his sister, Katherine Janvin, spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Janvin.

Miss Maud MacLean of Salem, Mass.

## COLONIAL THEATRE TODAY

THE GREAT HOWARD

The Man That Makes Them All Laugh and Whistle.

Ward, Wilson & Janese  
 Comedy Offering.

Peace Musical Duo  
 Harp and Singing.

PICTURES TONIGHT

Francis X. Bushman in the Seven-Act Metro Wonder Play, "Their Compact."

Pathe.

Mutt & Jeff.

## GREENLAND

Greenland, Dec. 5.—Miss Helen Atkins of Wellesley college has been the guest of the Misses Weeks at Bay-side.

A whist party for the benefit of the Navy League was held at the Town hall recently.

Norman Holmes of Bowdoin college has been spending a few days here with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Morse, of Alton, have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Anne E. Flint.

Mrs. James N. Carr has returned has returned to Pittsfield.

A food demonstration in charge of Miss Dorothy Emerson was held at the town hall this afternoon.

Portsmouth has always been very fortunate in the selection of her superintendent of schools and it looks as though the same good fortune had secured the election of Mr. W. H. Slayton.

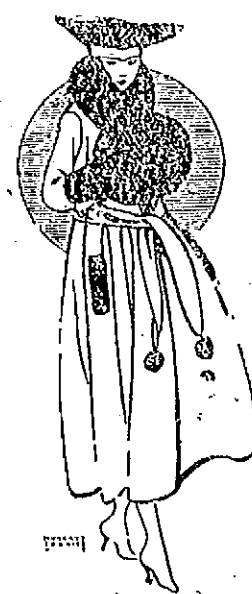
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A few trimmed hats left at very low prices. Am prepared to make over old furs. Bring them in and see how well they can be made to look.

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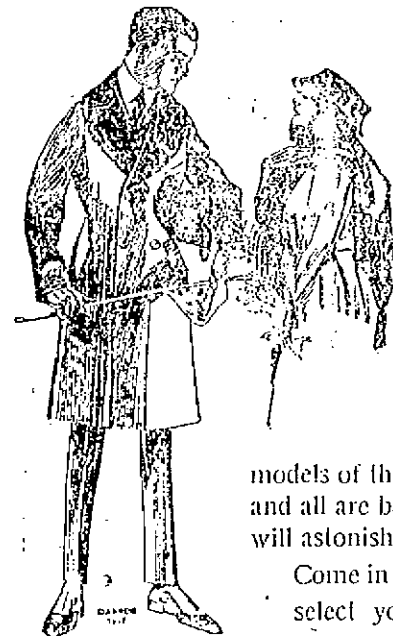
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Colonial Theatre, Friday Afternoon, Dec. 7th

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A Splendid Bill of Vaudeville and Pictures

Vaudeville--3 Willie Bros., Sensational Ladder Act, Snow & Murray in Comedy, Cecile Trio

Pictures--House Peters in "Heir to the Ages," Keystone Comedy, Pathe Weekly

Time--2.15 P. M.

Prices--Adults 25c, Children 10c

# GREAT NEED TO CONSERVE YOUR COAL

## State Fuel Administrator Floyd Meets With Local Board. No Immediate Shortage but Economy Must be Used

A meeting of the Fuel Administrator for the Portsmouth District was held on Tuesday, with State Fuel Administrator Ex-Gov. Charles M. Floyd, who came here for the meeting.

With ex-Gov. Floyd they made a tour of the local yards and made a survey of what coal there is on hand, looking to future accommodations for the people of this district. They found that while there was enough coal for immediate needs there was not enough to carry through the winter and are satisfied that the utmost economy must be used by everybody. The board, however, admit as do the dealers, that there will be need of from fifteen to twenty percent more coal, owing to the poor quality of the coal that is being shipped to New England, in fact, to all parts of the country.

The local board through the State Administrator, have brought pressure to bear on the Washington headquarters to take care of Eastern New Hampshire, though water traffic in barges through this port and it is hoped that this will be accomplished, although the National Fuel Administrator does not promise anything.

State Administrator Floyd while

here wired the Washington office, asking what they could expect for twenty five towns in the state that had no coal, and before he left in the evening he received a telegram saying that if these towns had received up to now, the same amount of coal that they had received in 1915 then they need not look for any relief.

The local board, who are, Chairman H. C. Taylor, T. W. Law and W. J. Carter, are confident that there is no need for people to become alarmed, but at the same time Chairman Taylor said that there was great need of everybody using as little coal as they possibly can get along with. He urges the people wherever it is possible to use wood and said that while they had strong hopes that they would be able to secure enough coal so that the local dealers could keep the people of this city supplied, the people must be satisfied with small lots and not demand impossible things of the local dealers who are doing everything they can to keep the people supplied.

Col. Taylor said that many of the small towns had no coal at all and were depending entirely on wood, but that Portsmouth as a whole had been well cared for and he hoped that this would continue through the winter.

## FLOOD LOSSES AMOUNT TO TWO HUNDRED MILLIONS

Tientsin, China, Dec. 3.—Two hundred million dollars is the estimated amount of the actual property loss from the great floods which have swept over north China within the last two months and finally engulfed this city in an inland sea which now threatens to remain at a standstill and work further damage by freezing.

Chinese government railways have already expended several million dollars in repairing damages. The Peking-Hankow railway is now able to handle through business between the two cities by a ferry across the Pto river.

The railway connecting Tientsin and Shanghai suffered less loss than the Hankow railway, but the first 30 miles of the line south of Tientsin is entirely under water and there is

no likelihood that through traffic can be resumed for months.

Tientsin with its one million inhabitants, a great majority of them are coolies depending upon export trade for employment faces a terrible crisis. In addition to the resident population this city has also become the refuge center for a great population which fled here from the inundated rural sections of North China. More than 50,000 refugees from outside points have already applied for assistance.

The American Red Cross has appropriated \$50,000 for immediate relief work and the American troops in Tientsin under command of Col. Sigler, are in charge of a model camp which will accommodate 5000 refugees. This camp was built in a few days under the direction of Roger S.

Greene, the director in China of the Rockefeller Foundation. It consists of 1000 model one-room huts, each of which is capable of housing a family of five. Relief camps have been hastily constructed in various dry sections of the city but most of these can be used only temporarily. A general relief committee representing persons of all nationalities, and various religious and philanthropic organizations is trying to co-ordinate the relief work.

The Chinese government set aside \$200,000 for the relief of immediate needs and further amounts were then promised. The Tientsin municipality also is appropriating money to feed the needy.

Through private enterprise small sections of Tientsin are being dyked with sandbags and being pumped out. This is one of the best residents sections in the heart of the city. But a majority of the city lies under water varying in depth from two to ten feet and thousands of boats are operating through the streets on the regular schedule and serving the beleaguered householders who are now clinging to their homes.

## DIPLOMATIC ROW INFLUENCES RUSSIAN ARMY

London, Dec. 4.—The split between Premier Kerensky and General Korniloff has had a great influence on the Russian army, as troops who favored Korniloff have, in most cases, been sent in disgrace to the rear, whereby excellent fighting men have been lost to Russia, says Professor A. Bellet of Belgrade University who has just arrived from Petrograd. In every case the artillery, and almost always the cavalry, are excellent, but the infantry cannot be relied upon. The revolution has not created a sufficient sense of comradeship between officers and men, and there are too many different factions, many officers and men openly wearing the Monarchical colors.

"In spite of these things, no one can fail to be impressed by the increased determination to win the war, both in the army and at home. In several cases the soldiers are given nothing for weeks at a time but bread and a very small ration of fish. The lack of proper food distribution is one of the greatest enemies of the revolution.

"When the government proposes to tax an article, the shopkeepers refuse to sell it so that the people in despair beg the government to rescind the tax."

## TRIAL OF MRS. VARNEY UNDER WAY

(By Associated Press)  
Dedham, Mass., Dec. 4.—Circumstantial evidence so overwhelmingly convincing will be presented to the jury in the case of Mrs. Harriet A. Varney on trial here for the murder of Mrs. Pauline Keyes, the wife of George Keyes of Brookline. The state case as outlined to the jury by District Attorney W. F. Kane and he said that Keyes and the Varney woman had lived for sometime as man and wife and that she had claimed that he promised to marry her.

## BASE BALL PROBLEMS TO BE CONSIDERED

(By Associated Press)  
Chicago, Ill., Dec. 4.—Club owners of the National and American baseball leagues will meet here on Dec. 13 to define a policy for the base ball season under war conditions. President Augustus Herman, Chairman of the National Council called the meeting and it will consider among other things, slashing the playing list to 18, a scheme for collecting the war tax and the cutting of the training season to three weeks and possibly a cutting of the schedule.

## NORWAY LOSES MANY SHIPS

(By Associated Press)  
London, Dec. 4.—The Norwegian admiralty has announced that 13 ships of an aggregate tonnage of 19,022 were lost during the month of November from war causes and 81 lives lost.

## NO LICENSE WIN FOUR CITIES IN MASS.

(By Associated Press)  
License forces won a decided victory in the city elections in New England yesterday swinging four cities from the dry to the wet column. Fall River, Haverhill, Fitchburg and Taunton, charged from the "dry" to the "wet" and Locomaster which has been no license 15 out of 20 years, came within thirteen votes of winning in the "wets" and a recount will be demanded. Springfield where a remarkable fight was made by the no license people, remained wet by 2556 and other no license majorities were materially reduced.

Springfield, Mass., Dec. 4.—Springfield stayed "wet" today after a sharp battle by 2556 votes.

Holyoke, Mass., Dec. 4.—John D. Ryan was elected over Mayor White here today by 1400 votes. The city remained in the license column, yes 4578 to no 3333.

Fitchburg, Mass., Dec. 4.—Fitchburg went back to the license column today although Mayor General Hodges of Camp Devens, came out openly for a no-license city, it being his expressed wish not to have any saloons within twenty miles of the camp.

Haverhill, Mass., Dec. 4.—This city went into the license column today. As it is the nearest large city to New Hampshire, which goes prohibition after May first next, a great fight was made by both sides but the license forces won out.

## AUSTRIANS TO BE ARRESTED AT ONCE

(By Associated Press)  
Washington, Dec. 4.—Scores of Austrian and Hungarian subjects will be arrested within a few hours after war is actually declared between these countries and the United States. They have been under surveillance for some time and have been engaged in carrying on German war work.

Nearly a million Austrians will become amenable to the ruling of the President, that all alien enemy must register with the local authorities, must not travel without permission and must not enter the barred zones about water fronts.

## INLAND SEA HAS ITS GHOST SHIP

Some day the great lakes are going to contribute a glorious story to the literature of America. Until now they have been unexplored and unexplored except in some isolated cases, where the poet or the romancer has sought his audience in vain. All of the romance of the sea is not contained in the Atlantic or the Pacific. The great lakes are rich in romance. History and legend have joined hands to weave a thrilling narrative around this enchanted country. Indian tradition clusters thick about it. Three nations struggled for domination over the lake country and today the flags of three nations, England, France and the United States are joined in a war against a common enemy. Immense ship wrecks have contributed their black pages to the story of the inland seas. The thrill of storm at sea, the struggle with the elements in the blackness of a Lake Superior night, of glorious victory or brave defeat remains to be recorded fittingly.

What chronicle contains a more fascinating record than the narrative of the voyage of exploration made by Jeno Caveller de la Salle in his good ship the Griffin, the first sailing vessel to venture forth on the great lakes. In 1673 that ship, captained by the intrepid French soldier of fortune and manned by a merry crew of voyageurs, sailed the length of Lake Erie, Lake St. Clair and Lake Huron on a voyage of adventure and discovery. The Griffin was lost on its return voyage. La Salle who had remained in the north country, never heard of it again. The first mystery of the great lakes had been recorded. Countless others were to follow it. For the great lakes hold their grim record of tragedies.

period, 9998 ships, were wrecked on the great lakes and 1093 of these were total losses. The loss of cargo during the score of years was nearly \$5,000,000.

Some of these vessels disappeared almost as mysteriously as did the Griffin in the brave old days of exploration. They were never heard from again. No wreckage floated to the shore. The great lakes hid well their secrets. Navigators of the northern lakes insist that there are no tops of Lake Superior where it is impossible to find the bottom. The superstition is that some ships that have gone down at sea are held forever in the unfathomable pit beneath the water.

Like the sailors of the salt seas the men who navigate the inland waters are a superstitious lot. Almost every wreck that marks the history of the lake is the inspiration of some weird, fantastic story that by frequent repetition assumes the dignity of truth in the sailor's ready mind. One such superstition that is firmly rooted in the minds of all great lakes navigators concerns the mysterious wreck of the Bannockburn.

She was a big, powerful freighter carrying a crew of 22 men. She cleared Duluth on a day in the late fall. What happened to her will never be known. She went out in the morning and was last sighted the next evening. That was the end. Not one of the crew was ever found. For more than a year the chill waters of Lake Superior guarded well their secret. Then one day an owl was found floating along the driftwood of the bleak north shore. A piece of tarpaulin was wrapped securely around it, and when this was removed it was found that the word Bannockburn was scrawled into the wood. The owl is all that remains today to tell the story of the missing freighter.

According to the queer twist given to the story by the sailors of the inland seas, the Bannockburn is supposed to be the Flying Dutchman of the great lakes. Sometimes at night when the chill north wind sweeps across the swollen bosoms of Lake Superior and the stinging "ice devils" fill the air, the lookout on some lonely point calls loudly to his companion and points to where he imagines the Bannockburn, all white with ice and ghastly in the darkness, is slipping through the black mystery of the lake.

The history of the great lakes is punctuated with thrilling narratives such as this. There are brighter chapters that tell of heroic rescues made by dint of dauntless courage and super-human effort.

## DROP IN SUGAR IS PROMISED

Boston, Dec. 4.—Following the signing of the first of the 9,000,000-pound shipment of sugar, which arrived here last week, the wholesale price dropped 20 cents on 100 barrels today. Prices quoted today are a drop from \$8.25 to \$8.15 on 100-barrel lots.

Upon receipt of these figures, the wholesale grocers dropped their prices to retailers, from \$8.50 to \$8.40 for purchases in like quantities. The smaller grocers are hardly likely to be benefited to any great extent by the reduction, inasmuch as few among them place orders for 100 barrels. Consumers, therefore, probably will not feel the effect of the slight reduction.

According to the explanation offered today, the reduction was brought about by the food administration measure, which resulted in the lowering of the price of Cuban raw sugar, the reduction being affected all along the line.

There were no receipts of raw sugar here today.

## BIG RUSH TO RECRUIT

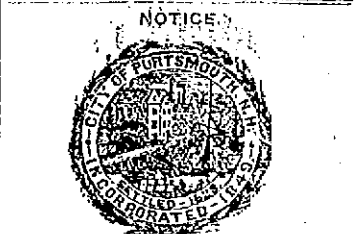
(By Associated Press)  
Washington, Dec. 4.—Recruits for the regular army have greatly increased during the past week, 2934 were accepted making 271,562 volunteers who have enlisted since the war began. The weekly average has not been over a thousand. Last week Penn led with 477, Massachusetts second with 437.

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## FOOD STUFF WASTED AT CAMP DEVENS

(By Associated Press)  
Ayer, Mass., Dec. 4.—Bread and other food stuff is being wasted at Camp Devens according to Major John R. Mugggrave camp quartermaster, who today gave a list of battalions and companies who have been guilty of this an offense that the department will not countenance.

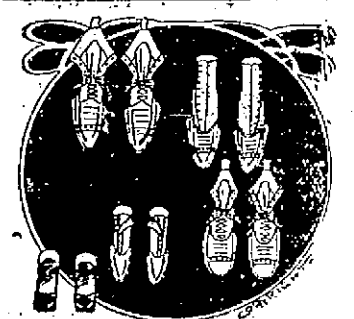
Wood chopping parties may be popular before the winter is over.



Registrars of Voters of Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

The Board of Registrars will be in session at City Hall on the following dates: Tuesday, Nov. 27; Tuesday, Dec. 4; and Wednesday, Dec. 5, 1917, from 9 to 12 a. m., 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p. m., to prepare the check lists to be used at the coming election, Dec. 11, 1917. Also on election day from 8 to 12 a. m. for the purpose of granting certificates to those legal voters whose names have been omitted from the list.

RALPH C. GRAY, Chairman.  
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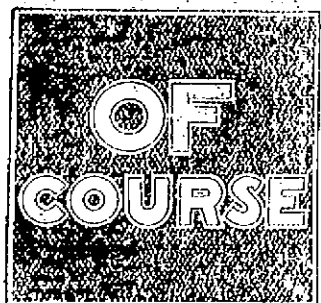
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## MISS KIMBALL CHAIRMAN OF THIS COUNTY

Rochester, Dec. 4.—Miss Annie Wallace, Chairman of the War Work Council of the Y. W. C. A. in this state, announces that a state wide organization has been perfected to secure New Hampshire's quota of \$15,000. The National drive is for \$4,000,000 and New England scheduled to subscribe \$200,000.

Mrs. Charles C. Goss of Dover, N. H., has been named as state treasurer and to counties where there are no local organizations, Miss Wallace urges that subscriptions be sent direct to Mrs. Goss. The County Chairmen announced by Miss Wallace are: Belknap County, Miss Alice S. Harriman, Laconia; Cheshire County, Miss Julia H. Faulkner, Keene; Coos County, Mrs. Orton B. Brown, Berlin; Grafton County, Mrs. Frank Harrison, Lebanon; Hillsboro County, Mrs. J. Walter Johnson, Manchester; Merrimack County, Miss Grace Woodworth, Concord; Rockingham County, Miss Martha S. Kimball, Portsmouth; Strafford County, Miss Elizabeth Sawyer, Dover; Chairman of Sullivan and Carroll County will be announced later. In each county there will be local organizations.

Miss Dorothy Smith who is a field worker for the Y. W. C. A. at the military encampments at Niagara Falls and Chippewa Park, Chittanooga, has been sent to New Hampshire to direct the work of the campaign. Miss Smith is one of the most efficient workers in the war work council and will travel through the state assisting the organization work and making known the definite program that the Y. W. C. A. has mapped out for women in war work. At a meeting in Rochester today she told how the \$1,000,000 that is to be raised will be spent.

"Forty-five hostess houses similar to the one that was opened at Camp Devens will be built and operated in military cantonments at the cost of \$200,000. All military authorities agree that the hostess house does much to build up the spirit of the soldier as well as offering a comfortable, decent place for him to meet his wife, or sweetheart or mother." Reports are coming in from every big industrial centre where munitions are being manufactured that thousands of girls are pouring into these communities attracted by the big wages. There is no adequate housing for them and they are living under the most shocking conditions.

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ditions and unless decent places to live in are provided there will be a wide spread lowering of the standards of living. The War Work Council plans to build ten hostess boarding houses, with cafeterias, rest rooms and arrange for wholesome recreation for these girls. The plan is to build ten of these at the expense of \$500,000 to demonstrate to great employers of labor the conditions under which these girls should live.

"Twenty thousand Red Cross nurses will soon be in France. Many of these now there are working for three weeks on unrelieved duty in unheated barracks that are bitterly cold in winter. When such demands are made upon the strength of women, it is most necessary that some place be provided for them where they can get away from the horror of war for a brief rest for mind and body. The War Work Council will provide rest huts and recreation for these noble women and are sending to France scores of expert women to manage them. A million dollars is needed for work in France."

## CORN TO RULE FOOD PRICES

New York, Dec. 4.—Lower prices in meat, milk and other commodities as a result of the enormous crop of corn which it is expected will be distributed through the country by Jan. 15, was forecast by Federal Food Administrator Hoover in a statement last night. He declared that this extraordinary crop is "the certain economic remedy for high prices."

Mr. Hoover attended several conferences at which the food situation was discussed with Federal and State officials. Plans to appoint food administrators in every city and county of New York state were formulated at one of these gatherings.

Price Will Be Reasonable  
Mr. Hoover later issued a statement in which he outlined what immediate relief consumers of the country might expect. The statement said:

"The real fundamental and economic relief is the coming of the corn crop, the greatest crop we have known in many years. It is now practically four weeks behind time, due to many causes I expect that by Jan. 15 this great crop will have been started on the way to the consumers through various channels.

"This crop is not only plentiful, but will be sold at a reasonable price. The cost of corn is dropping every day. In proportion to the cheapness of corn to the farmers we shall have reflected lower prices of such commodities as milk and meat. One of the delays in the movement of the corn crop has been the shortage of cars.

Corn Half the Nation's Food  
"Corn is really one-half of our food and this year crops of approximately 3,500,000 bushels is the certain economic remedy for high prices."

As to the regulation of prices of all commodities by the Government, Mr. Hoover said that other prices must be regulated or there must be a continuous wage increase and added:

"In other words, wages must ascend, according to the prices of the necessities of life. I mean by that that the high cost of living must stop, or we must have a continuous ascending wage scale. A continuous increase in wages, usually undermines national efficiency, and of the two evils it is evident that we must make an effort to regulate the prices."

buy corn and other feed stuffs cheaper. "There is plenty of food in the country," Mr. Hoover continued. "In fact the food problem is one of surplus, not deficit. It is a question of how much we can send to our allies. We are short on some things, such as pork and wheat. We have already exported every bushel of our surplus wheat. I suppose we have exported between 60,000,000 and 70,000,000 bushels. We are now using twenty per cent less wheat than normally. Although the farmer is getting \$2 a bushel for his wheat the price of flour today is less than a year ago."

## MAY FORCE A NAVAL OFFENSE

Washington, Dec. 4.—The British hand is being gradually forced in the matter of a more aggressive naval offensive policy.

Despite the opposition of Admiral Benson, chief of operations, subtle pressure is being exerted which, it is believed, will eventually cause Great Britain to depart from her defensive program.

Prominent government officials informed the United Press today there is reason to believe the growing sentiment in the American army and navy for offensive measures to supplement the terrible land drives, is having its effect. While the present plan of scouring the seas with destroyers and keeping the British battle fleet intact cannot be immediately changed, the coming year will probably see a shift that may have a vital effect on the allied war fortunes.

While Admiral Benson believes a naval offensive is doomed to failure, younger officers insist unless naval power is tested, the bloody sea-saw on land will go on almost indefinitely, whereas a single bold stroke by the British, French and American navies might be the knockout punch for Germany.

Yield to U. S. Pressure  
What its advocates most fear is that the British, yielding to American pressure, will go at the task half heartedly. No half-way measures should be attempted they say, for that would be worse than avoiding a test.

Meantime the navy is swamped with submarine-catching inventions. Officials declared today that gradually a method of checking the U-boats is being evolved and that, with this expected cure, the naval offensive can be more safely tried.

### A START IN BLUE TRIANGLE

A beginning was made yesterday on Portsmouth's part in the Blue Triangle war fund to provide proper housing and care for girls employed at camps or in war industries, to construct hostess houses where the friends of soldiers may find entertainment and to provide places of rest and recreation for the splendid body of American nurses now serving at base hospitals in France. This is one of the ways in which the United States is making a determined and magnificent struggle to win the war by protecting its womanhood and its manhood.

Contributions may be left with E. Curtis Matthews, Piscataqua Savings Bank, or with Mrs. L. H. Thayer, 651 State street. No gift can be too little or too big.

### RUMOR LENINE MAY RELEASE TEUTON PRISONERS

Negotiations for the release of all German and Austria-Hungarian prisoners in Russia are being concluded, and they will soon be ordered released by the Bolshevik premier, Lenin, according to the newspaper Vedomosti, the Boston News Bureau learns.

## NO SCIENTIFIC MANAGEMENT FOR BRITISH WORKERS

London, Dec. 4.—British workmen are not going to submit to scientific management imported from America or elsewhere," declared the Archbishop of York in a democratic speech on the labor question delivered the other day in the House of Lords. "They regard it as 'Trusteism' and they will resist it," said the Archbishop. He declared that it was surprising there had been so little unrest among British workmen and declared that their higher wages had been more or less neutralized by higher prices which they believed to be due to profiteering. They also had been hurried and harassed, he said, by the confusion of recruiting and medical examination orders and by the suspension of trade union regulations. Yet vast numbers of them from overcrowded houses in slums had come forward with the greatest readiness to the help of the country.

## BOWLING

The first game in the Firemen's Bowling League at Hogan's alleys was held on Tuesday evening, when the Col. Size team defeated the Sagamore Engine Co. by 45 pins. Kelley was high man in both three strings and single string, with 111 for the latter.

Col. Size Engine Co., No. 1			
H. Hersey	78	84	72-234
Cox	93	81	70-241
Chandler	75	87	75-240
Wallace	84	81	71-245
H. Hersey	86	85	86-257
Sagamore Engine Co., No. 2.			
O'Brien	50	91	78-249
Leary	60	74	75-216
Regan	62	78	71-211
Pendergast	54	66	67-217
Kelley	111	84	86-234
426-118 377 1231			
406 353 377 1175			

### MUST DELIVER QUESTIONNAIRES.

Washington, Dec. 4.—Postmasters throughout the United States have been instructed to make every effort to insure the delivery of registrants for military service of the 3,000,000 questionnaires which will be mailed by the local exemption boards beginning Dec. 15.

In an order issued today by the Post Office Department postmasters are informed that in case of non-delivery of the questionnaires placed in their hands return must be made to the local exemption board with the postmaster's endorsement stating the reason for non-delivery.

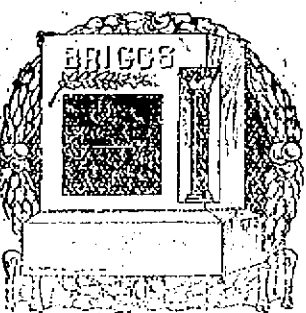
"In no instance," says the order, "must these letters be returned to Washington or sent to the dead letter office."

### A FIRE ANNIVERSARY

37 years ago this morning the Kearsarge Mill was destroyed by fire with the loss of one life, that of James Greenwood. Nathan Woods and James Warburton were severely burned. There was two feet of snow which fell through the night which delayed the fire apparatus.

Will Arraign 100 I. W. W.

Chicago, Dec. 4.—More than one hundred members of the Industrial Workers of the World arrested in a country-wide raid last September and later indicted here on charges of violating the espionage act, will be arraigned Dec. 15 in the United States District Court. It was announced today.



If you place an order for a Granite Monument with us we do not order it of a manufacturer, but we manufacture it right here at our plant, which is equipped with the most modern machinery operated by electric power, and is the only plant so equipped in this section. We carry the largest stock of finished monuments and tablets of any city east of Boston. Call and see the variety of designs we carry.

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WANTED—A girl or woman for general housework. Small house, small family. Tel. 141W. he d 3, 31.  
TO LET—Board and room in private family at Kittery Point, Me. Address S. L. C. this office. he d 1, 1w.

WANTED—A good driving horse in exchange for his board for the winter. Address P. O. Box 428, Kittery, Me. he d 28, 1w.

WANTED—House of 4 or 5 rooms in Kittery or Portsmouth. Furnished preferred. State price. Address Box 184, Kittery Point. ch 1w d 27.

WANTED—A dining room maid. Apply at once at the Portsmouth Hospital. h n 22, 1f.

NURSE will board and care for invalid. Tel. 1283M.

LET PLO, THE ROOFER, put on those storm doors and windows. No. 1 No. School street. he o 19, 1f.

WANTED—To leave boarding house in or near Portsmouth. Address W. M. Davis, P. O. Box 661, Old Orchard, Me. he 1f, O 17.

WANTED—A barber. Apply at 46 Daniel street. he o 14, 1f.

FURNITURE MOVING—Both local and long distance, with heavy auto truck and handlers of long experience. Prices moderate. The Portsmouth Furniture Co., cor. Deer and Vaughan streets, near B. & M. depot. he a 24, 1f.

### TO LET

TO LET—Eight-room tenement, 77 Daniel street, all improvements. Apply to 75 Daniel street, Uncle Sam's Loan Office. he d 1f.

TO LET—Desirable room for gentleman, modern improvements. Apply 187 Islington street. he d 1, 1f.

TO LET—Furnished rooms, modern improvements. Apply 48 Pearl street. Tel. 226W. he d 4, 1w.

TO LET—Furnished room, steam heat, all modern improvements, 147 State street. Tel. 223M. he d 4, 1f.

TO LET—Store in Globe Building annex, also two large offices, heated, hot and cold water, in front of Globe Building. Apply at Benfield's Store. he n 30, 1w.

TO LET—A suite of three rooms and large kitchen, well heated, furnished and lighted, to responsible parties for housekeeping. Marcy house, 383 Pleasant street. he N 23, 1f.

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TO LET—House of four rooms, cor. Bow and Daniel streets. Apply at this office. he n 3, 1f.

TO LET—Two rooms. Inquire at this office. he n 2, 1f.

FUR RENT—The third floor over Chas. W. Green's store, next to A. G. Brewster's Bldg., also the basement. The upper floor would make an excellent photograph gallery or tin shop. Inquire at this office. he m 27, 1f.

### FOR SALE

TYPEWRITERS of all makes for sale and to rent. The Typewriter Store, Dover, N. H. he a 17, 1f.

FOR SALE—One round oak parlor stove and gas range in good condition. Apply 111 Whirl street. he d 1f.

FOR SALE—E. M. F. roadster, first class running condition and good shoes. Apply to Henry Twombly, National Hotel. he d 3, 1w.

FOR SALE—Corner lot on West street. Apply to M. E. Morrissey, 85 West street. he o 68, 1w.

FOR SALE—Small dwelling, newly shingled; acre and half land, hen house, with 20 hens; barn with winter supply of hay; horse and cow; fruit trees of all kinds; winter supply of wood; new well and miller in the house. Apply Charles H. Miller, Durgin Lane. he n 27, 1f.

FOR SALE—New and remodeled furniture. Furniture at less than half regular prices; also highest cash price paid for second hand furniture and office furnishings, roll-top desks, safes, counters, antiques, etc. 99 Penhallow St. Tel. 728M. he a 1, 1f.

FOR SALE—Six weeks' old Pigeon, Chester Whites. Enquire A. J. Herring, New Castle, N. H. he n 28, 1w.

TO LET—Furnished rooms with heat and bath. Apply to 373 Marcy street. he n 28, 1w.

FOR SALE— Cadillac Roadster and Garage. Make excellent truck, 2 extra tires and chains. This is worth looking at. Make offer. Will demonstrate any afternoon. Call 99 Canal street. ch 31 d 5.

### FOR SALE

1914 Overland touring car, electric lights and starter; recently owned by a doctor in Portsmouth, \$250; four extra tubes, one extra tire and plenty of tools. Apply Ernest Lee, Pool Room, Cereus street, Portsmouth. he n 30, 1w.

FOR SALE—One very good snow case and wall fixtures. Apply at this office.

FOR SALE—Overland four-passenger coupe in excellent condition. Best winter car in Portsmouth. Telephone Commander Ridgely, Navy Yard. he N 27-1w.

### LOST

LOST—Black and tan hound wearing collar. Finder return to P. J. Duffy 377 Thornton St. ch 1w d 1.

LOST—One male black cat, gone since Nov. 29. Finder please notify U. G. Swett, 115 Bridge street and receive reward. he 1f d 4.

### WINTER TIME TABLE

Portsmouth, Dover and York Street Railway.

(In Effect Thursday, Oct. 4, 1917)  
Dover to York Beach—7.05 am, and every two hours until 9.05 pm. Sunday—First trip 9.05 am.

Dover to South Berwick—6.30 am, and every hour until 10.30 pm. Sunday—First trip 8.00 am.

Dover to Portsmouth—6.05 am, and every hour until 10.05 pm. Sunday—First trip 8.05 am.

Portsmouth to Dover—6.55 am, and every hour until 9.55 pm. Sunday—First trip 7.55 am.

Portsmouth to Kittery Point—6.7 am, and every half hour until 10.55 pm. Sunday—First trip 7.55 am.

Portsmouth to York Beach via Rosemary—6.55 am, and every two hours until 9.55 pm. Sunday—First trip 7.55 am.

Portsmouth to York Beach via Kittery and Kittery Point—7.55 am, and every two hours until 9.55 pm. Sunday—First trip 7.55 am.

South Berwick to York Beach and Dover—6.00 am, and every hour until 10.00 pm. Sunday—First trip 8.00 am.

South Berwick to York Beach—7.0 am, and every two hours until 9.00 pm. Sunday—First trip 9.00 am.

York Beach to Dover, South Berwick and Portsmouth via Rosemary—6.1 am, and every two hours until 9.35 pm. Sunday—First trip 8.35 am.

York Beach to Portsmouth via Kittery Point—7.35, 9.35, 11.35 am, 1.35, 3.35, 5.35 pm.

York Harbor to Portsmouth via Rosemary—6.54 am, and every two hours until 9.54 pm, then 10.54 pm to South Berwick Junction only. Sunday—First trip 8.54 am.

York Harbor to Portsmouth via Kittery Point—7.54, 9.54, 11.54 am, 3.30 am, 5.30 pm. Sunday—7.54, 9.54, 11.54 am, 1.54, 3.54, 5.54 pm.

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**North Church, Sunday, 7.30 P. M.**

Speaker—PRESIDENT J. D. BROWNELL, of Northland College.

Subject—"Splinters from the Northland—Hickory not Basswood."

**PYTHIANS HOLD  
BIG MEETING**

The annual zone meeting of the Pythian district was held on Tuesday evening with the Damon Lodge, No. 9, in their hall at Freeman's block.

This district comprises seventeen

lodges and delegates were present from about all of them, over two hundred attending the meeting.

The rank of page was conferred on four candidates by the degree team of the Sullivan Lodge of Durham and they did very good work.

Among the officers present were Grand Chancellor Marshall, Grand Vice Chancellor Tilton and Grand Keeper of Records and Seals, Corson.

Preparations are fast being completed for the annual poultry show.

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Your own interests are involved just as deeply, even more so is anything, than those of the merchants. There isn't any satisfaction to you to wait until the lines are all picked over, the stores crowded and maybe miserable shopping weather to contend with during the last few days before the twenty-fifth.

Of course, frankness compels us to say that all of our holiday goods are new and clean, that even if you bought the last article we had in the house you would find it spick and span, but it doesn't seem quite the part of wisdom to put off from day to day the little trip you could make now to Margeson Brothers.

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SUPERINTENDENT  
OF SCHOOLS****Mr. William H. Slayton of Claremont  
Choice of Board of Instruction at  
Special Meeting**

Mr. William H. Slayton of Claremont, N. H., has been elected superintendent of the schools of Portsmouth to succeed Supt. James N. Pringle, who resigned to accept the position of Deputy Superintendent of the State Board of Instruction.

Mr. Slayton was elected at a special meeting of the Board of Instruction held on Thursday evening. A special committee consisting of Messrs. Thayer, Towle and Gooding have been looking up candidates and they have had a great many seeking the position. The recommendation that Mr. Slayton be elected was unanimously adopted as all of the members of the Board had met the candidate and were impressed with his worth.

As a matter of fact the city is very fortunate in getting Mr. Slayton, who is considered to be one of the most promising superintendents in the state. He is a man of fine spirit, a useful member of the communities where he has resided, competent as a pedagogical guide of a teaching force and entirely qualified for the administration of a school system.

Mr. Slayton was born in Lebanon, N. H., in 1878 and a graduate of the

Lebanon high school in 1897. He taught two years in the Lebanon grammar school before entering Dartmouth from where he graduated in 1904.

He then went to Claremont and taught a grammar school for a year and in 1905 he was elected superintendent of the Rochester schools succeeding Mr. Silver who at that time came to this city.

He remained there two years and then took the Franklin, Penacook district until 1913 when he accepted his present position at Claremont.

He has been very active in other work, having acted as an instructor at the Keene Normal school during the summer sessions and he has done considerable institute work under the State Department.

He was prominent in social life in Claremont, having charge of the Red Cross drive in that city last summer and he was socially very popular. He was president of the State Teachers' Association when the convention was held in this city and is personally well known to all of the teaching staff.

Mr. Slayton is married and has three children. He is to report in this city Jan. 15.

**PHYSICIANS WILL  
HELP THE RED CROSS**

Medical Society Meet and Eat at Rockingham; Dr. E. B. Eastman Host.

A largely attended meeting of the Portsmouth Medical Society was held at the Rockingham hotel on Tuesday evening with Dr. E. B. Eastman as host. Interesting papers were read by Doctors Perry and Ladd and a general discussion of special cases took place during the session previous to the banquet.

The society voted to assess each member the sum of \$1.00 monthly as a fund to be donated to the Red Cross to help in the war work.

**HOLD NAVY YARD MAN  
FOR THE GRAND JURY**

Hurley Furnishes Cash Bail of \$500 for Further Hearing in January.

Andrew Hurley, charged with larceny of metal from the government, was bound over in the sum of \$500 before the United States commission at Portland on Monday. The case will be presented to the Federal Grand Jury in January. Hurley furnished cash bail and was released.

**BUILDING AND LOAN  
DECLARES DIVIDEND**

A special meeting of the directors of the Portsmouth Building and Loan association was held Wednesday, Dec. 5th, and it was voted to open the 56th series at this time and the usual semi-annual dividend of 2 per cent was declared.

The association is open to applicants who are anxious to own their homes. The secretary would be glad to confer with them.

**EAGLES' MEETING**

Regular meeting Mercedes Aerle, No. 682, P. O. B., this evening at 8 o'clock. Election of officers. Very important that all members should attend.

TIMOTHY CONNORS,  
Worthy President.  
RAPHAEL PAOLA,  
Worthy Secretary.

**NOTICE.**

Special meeting of Constitution Circle, No. 291, C. of P. of A., Thursday evening, Dec. 6, at 8 o'clock, N. E. O. P. hall, take action on the death of Companion Jennie Leary. Per order,

MARY RYAN,  
Chief Companion.  
ANNIE NUGENT, Rec. Sec.

**CHRISTMAS SALE.**

The Ladies' Aid society of the Methodist church will hold a Christmas sale in the vestry, Miller avenue, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon and evening, Dec. 4 and 5. Open at 3 p. m.

Entertainment at 8 p. m. Admission, 10 cents.

**LOCAL DASHES**

The Blue Triangle fund is now in full swing.

Fish of all kinds at Clark's Branch, Tel. 133.

Local families are now well used to going without sugar.

Chevrolet automobiles. C. E. Woods, Bow St.

Coal prices take another jump in this state starting tomorrow.

Visit the Christmas sale at the Methodist vestry, Miller avenue.

Judge Sawyer will preside at the next session of superior court in this city.

Don't forget the kiddies this Christmas; also remember the boys in camp.

Women may vote on the license question in Massachusetts in the near future.

Have the readers noticed lately, how many women are being tried on murder charges?

Upholsterers of antique and modern furniture. Their mattresses renovated. Margeson Bros., Tel. 570.

If the ground was not covered with snow we might almost think that summer was with us again.

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A blacklist has now been completed implicating 1600 firms in twenty Central and South American countries.

The best Christmas gift is a custom made suit or coat. M. Schwarz, Phila. Ladies' Tailor, opposite Public Library.

The only reliable place to have your furs remodeled—M. Schwartz, the Ladies' Tailor, opposite Public Library.

Union Rebekah Lodge will hold a dance at Freeman's hall, Thursday evening, December 6.

Everybody plans to use Xmas cards more extensively than ever this year. You will find just what you specially want at Montgomery's. h 45, 21

The new superintendent of local schools, Mr. Slayton, is a man of wide experience and will be of much assistance to education in this city.

Rummage sale, Salvation Army Hall, 202 State street, Wednesday and Thursday, Dec. 5 and 6, at 9 a. m.

Four Massachusetts cities turned from the dry to wet columns in yesterday's election in that state. They were Fall River, Taunton, Fitchburg, and Haverhill.

Portsmouth now rests easy with the assurance by state fuel authorities that we have an ample supply for the winter if only we do our voluntary part in conservation and prevent waste.

The sudden deaths in Manchester within a week removed four prominent citizens with hosts of friends here. They were Charles A. Shannon, Walter S. H. Jones, Tom W. Robinson, and Dr. George A. Campbell.

**PORTSMOUTH GIRL  
PARTICIPATES**

At the concert to be given in Keene by the Glee Club of the Keene Normal school, Miss Caroline E. Marston of this city is one of the soloists and with her partner is to give an exhibition dance at the conclusion of the concert. Miss Marston is a member of the senior class.

**POLITICAL NOTES**

M. L. Haynes said this morning: "I will not serve if elected and my name must not go on the ballot."

Political workers started out this morning to wake 'em up.

John Yarwood was all smiles this morning and said: "I find that everything promises a sweeping victory for me."

"Bang! Bang! goes the political hammer, and in some cases it is working overtime."

There promises to be some clever "cutting" in all the wards.

The citizens would like to see both political parties wiped out when it comes to municipal affairs.

Delightful weather for Christmas shopping.

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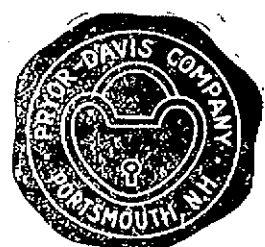
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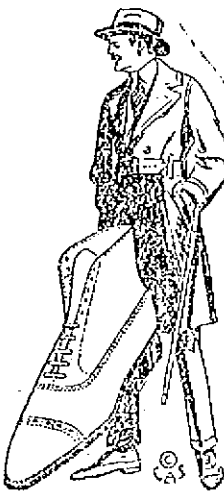
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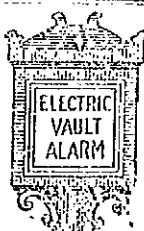
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